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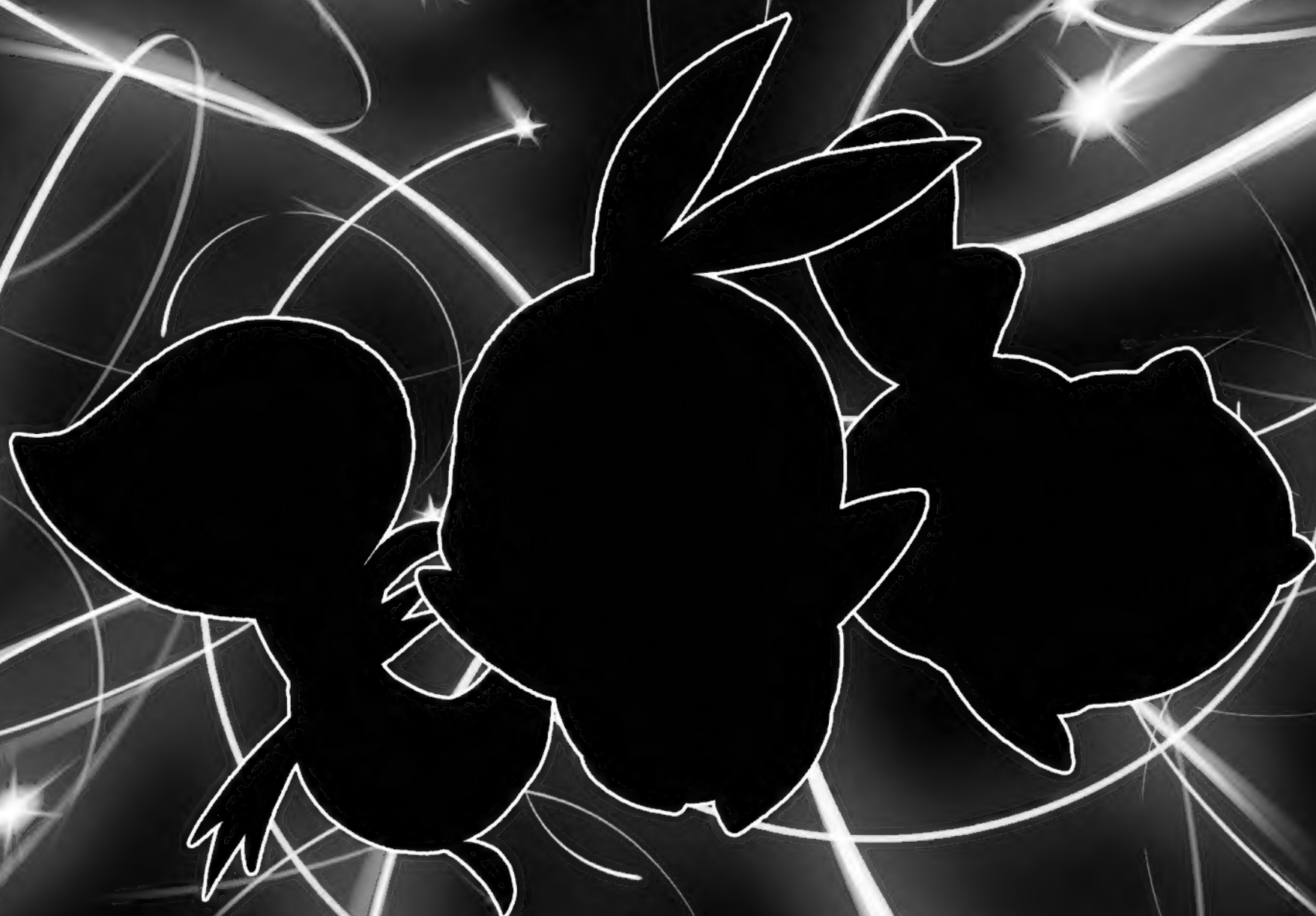
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UNOVA

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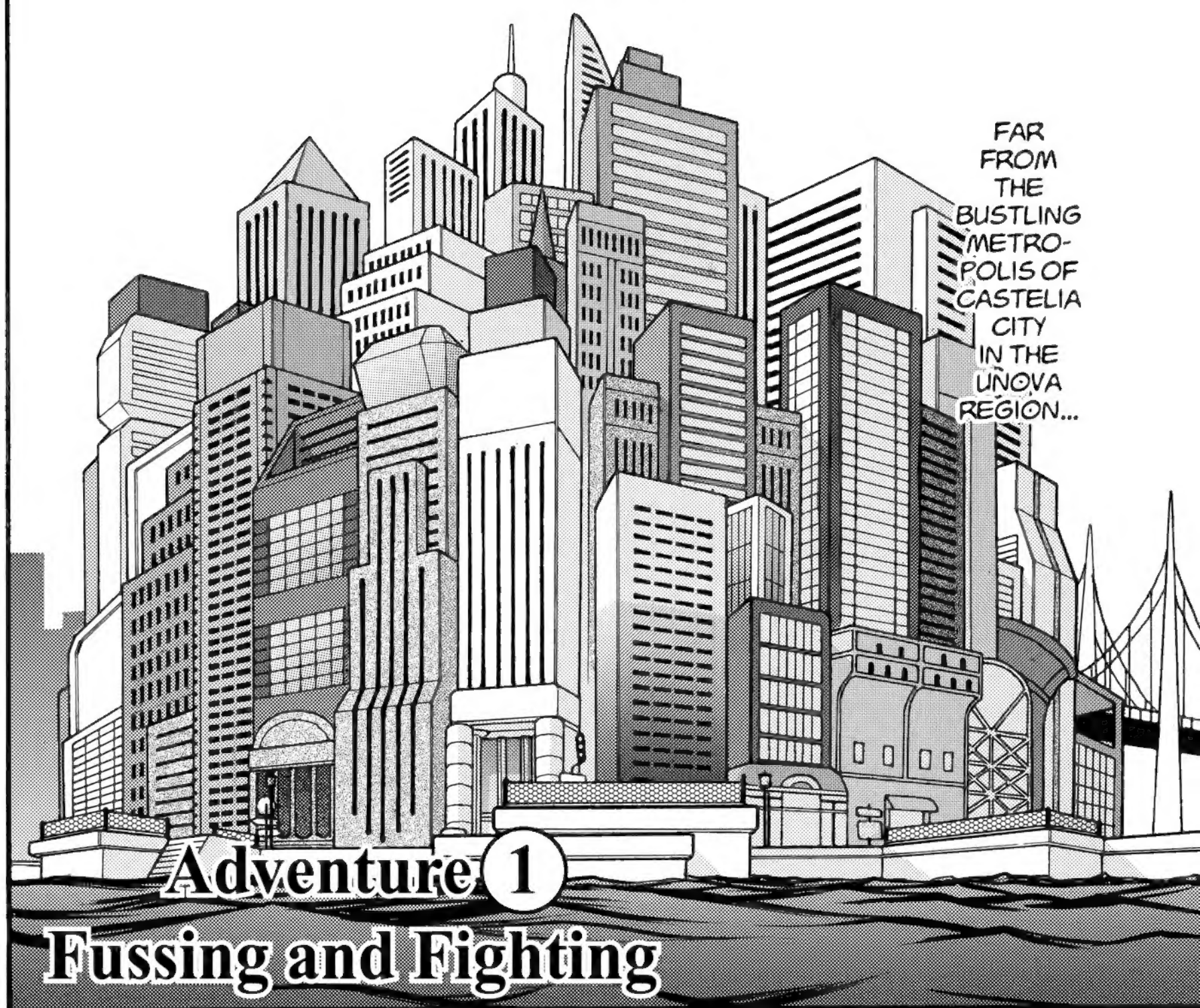
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UNOVA

— **TRUTH** —

White Dragon type

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THAT'S
RIGHT!
THE KIDS
I'M GOING
TO ENTRUST
POKÉMON
TO!!

THAT'S
RIGHT!
SEE YOU!
GOOD
NIGHT!!

...

UH-HUH!
THEY'LL
MEET TO-
MORROW
MORNING.

Plonk!

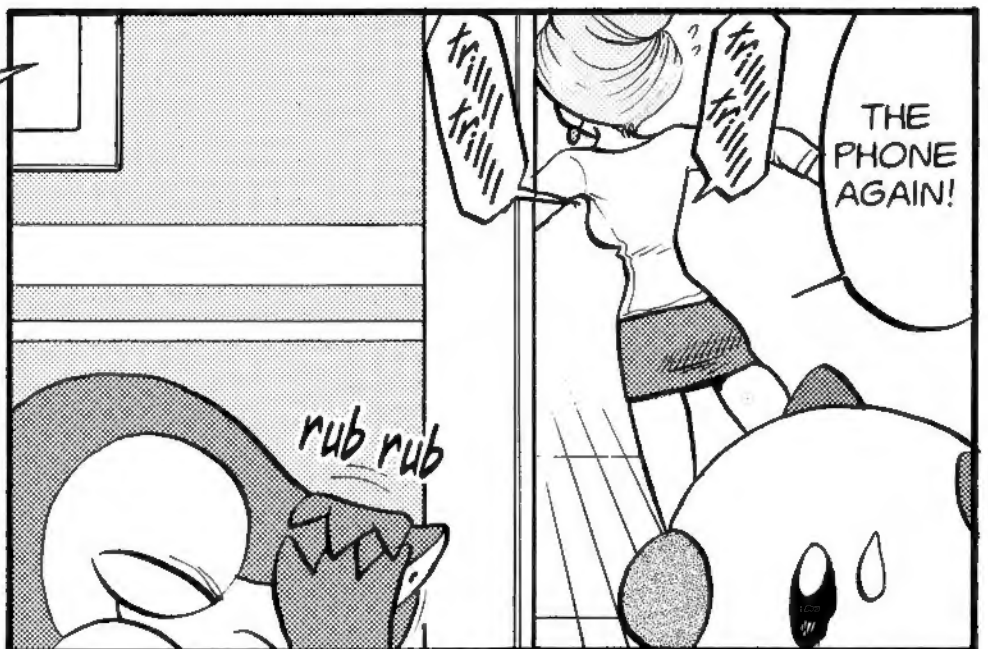
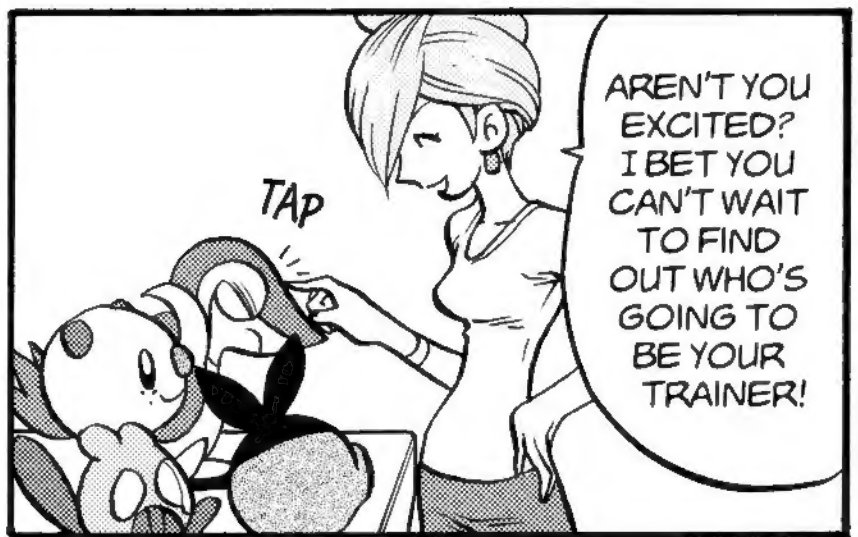
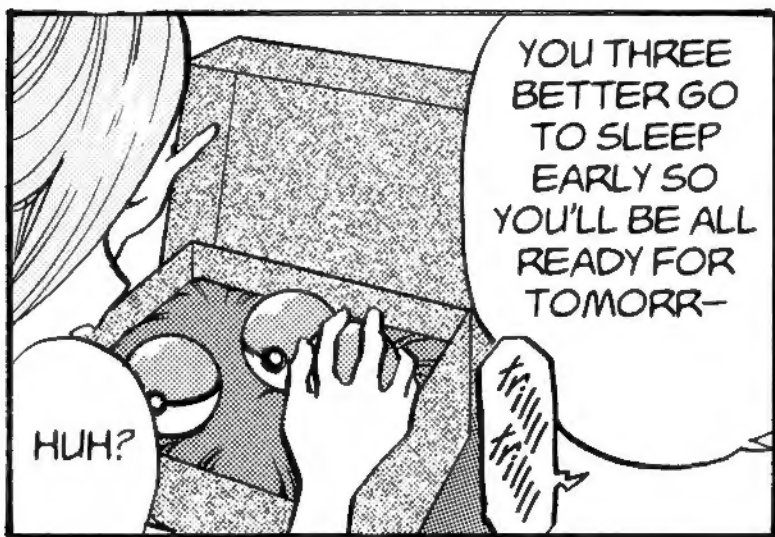
TIME
FOR
DINNER!

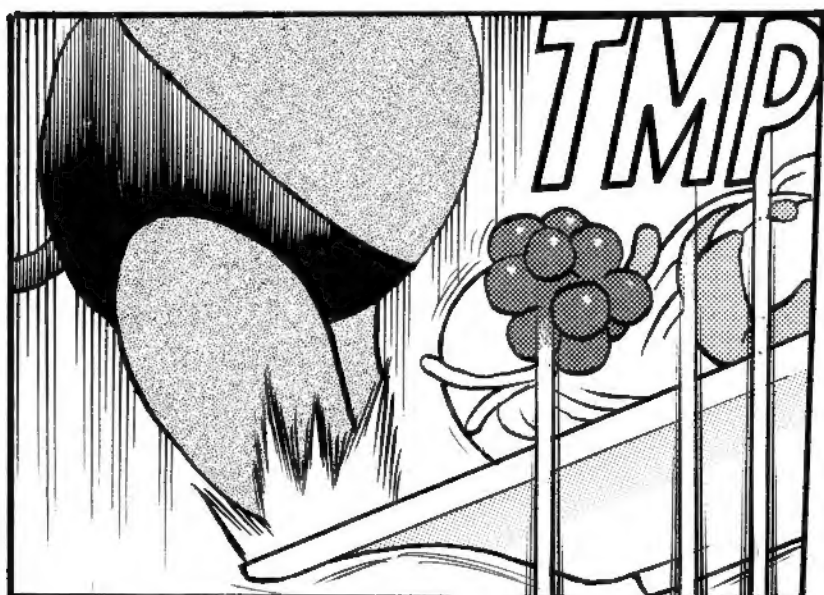
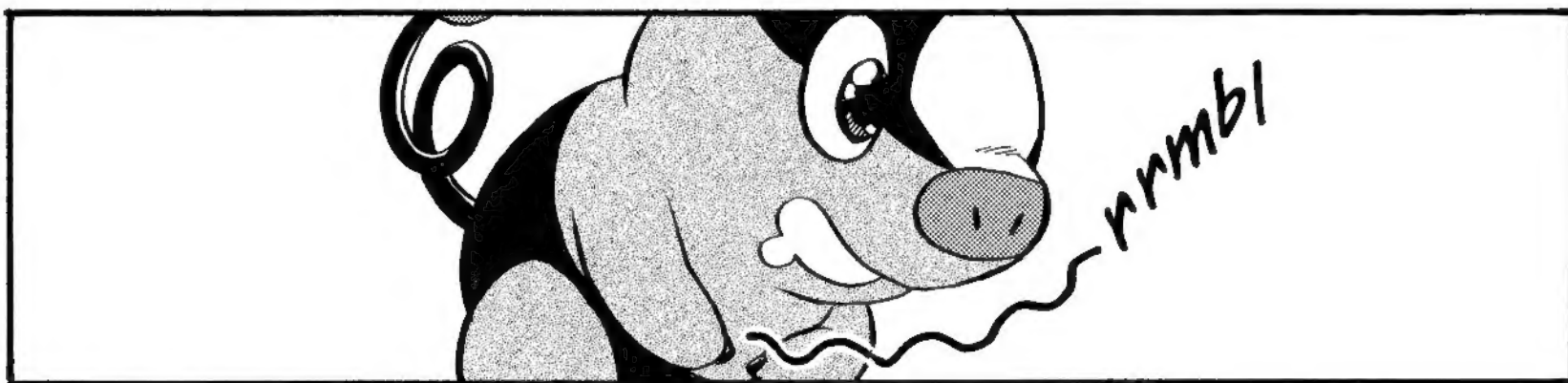
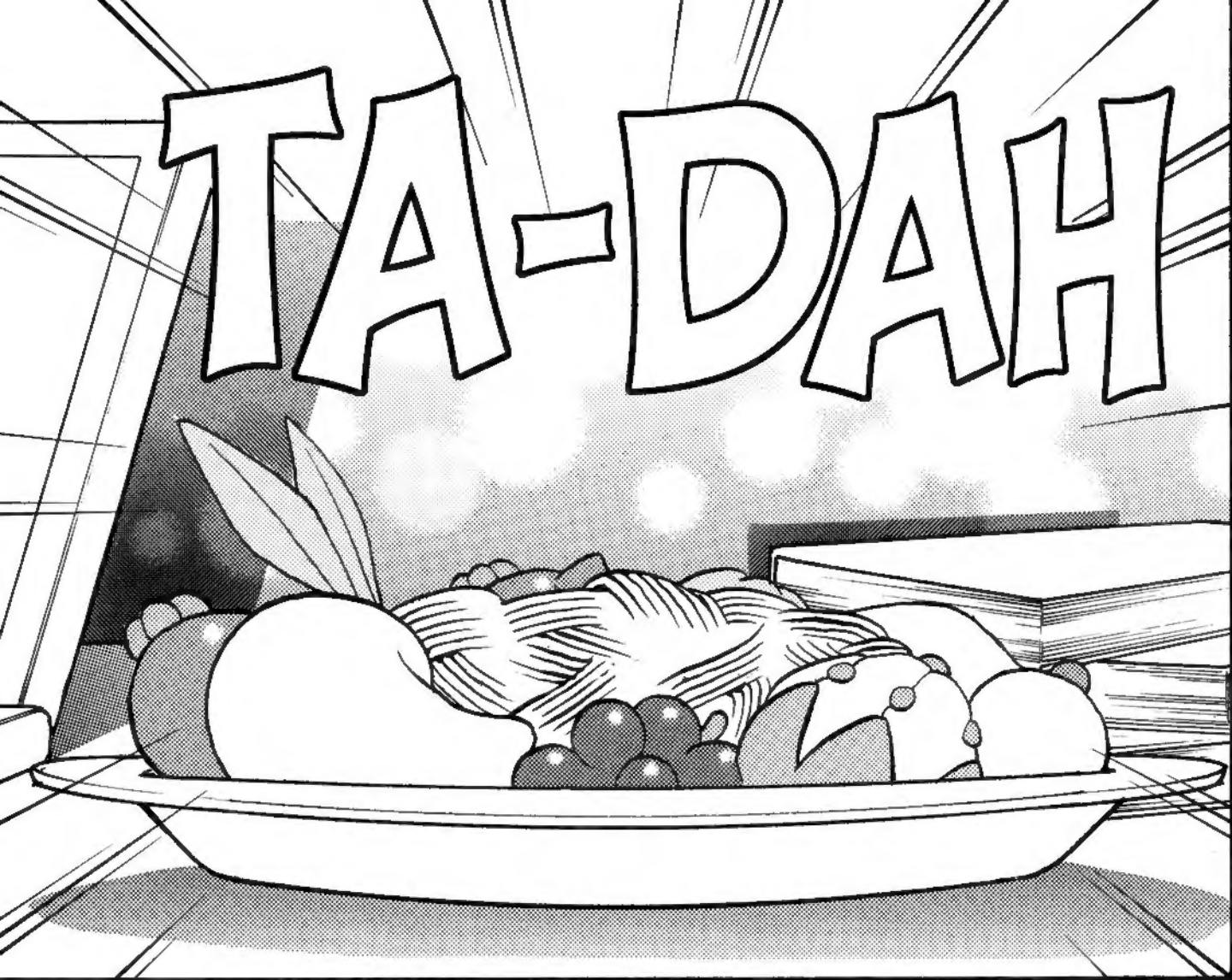
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REPORT'S
FIN-
ISHED...

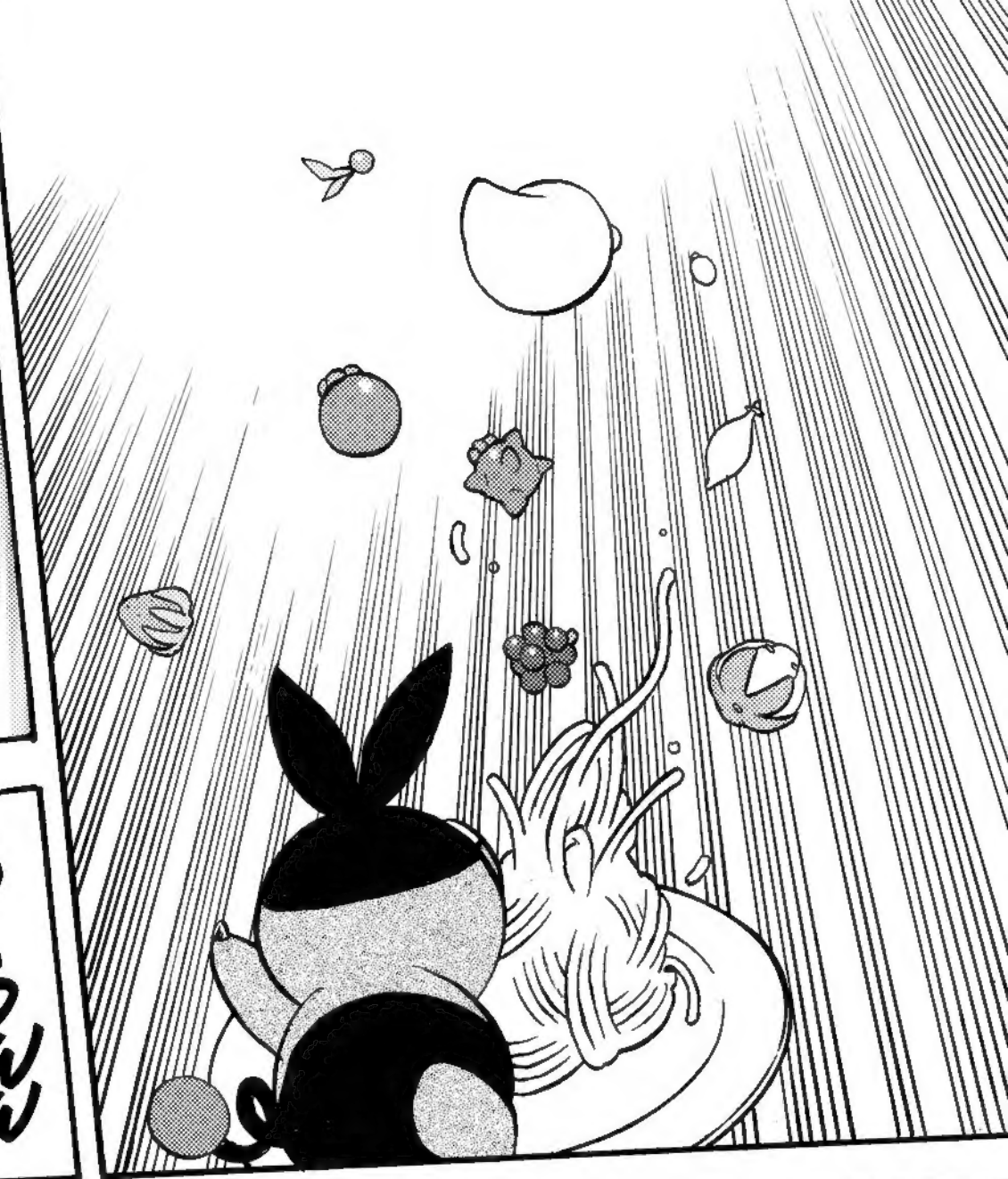
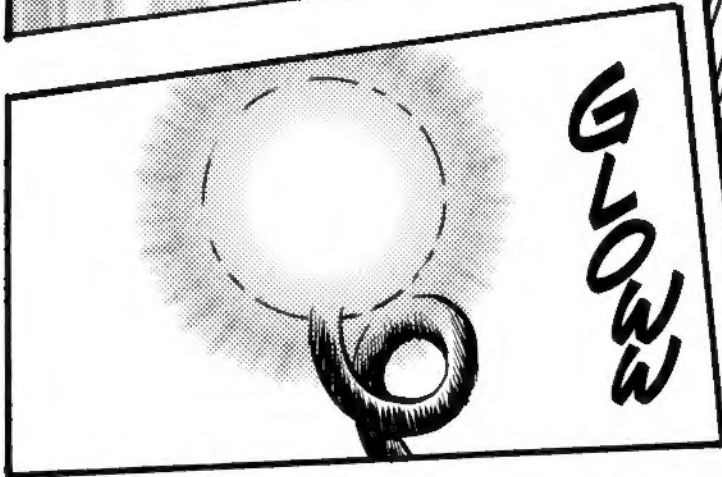
I BETTER
PUT YOU
BACK INTO
YOUR POKÉ
BALLS.

OH!
BUT
FIRST...



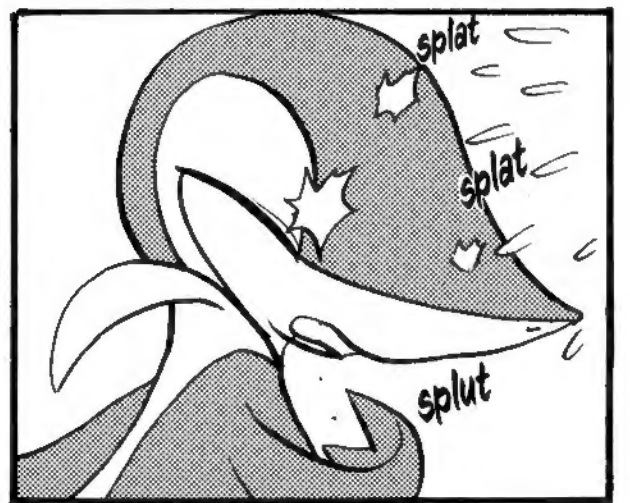
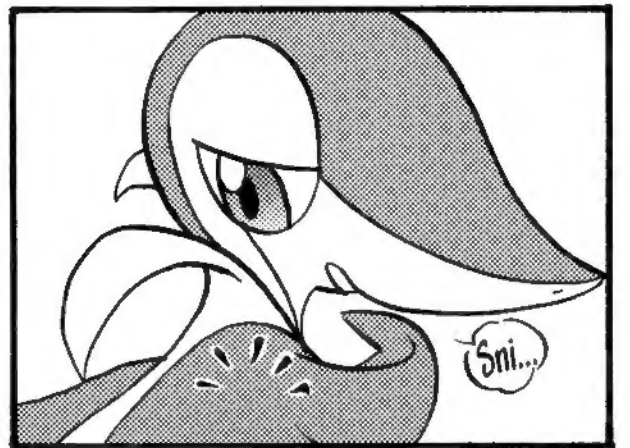
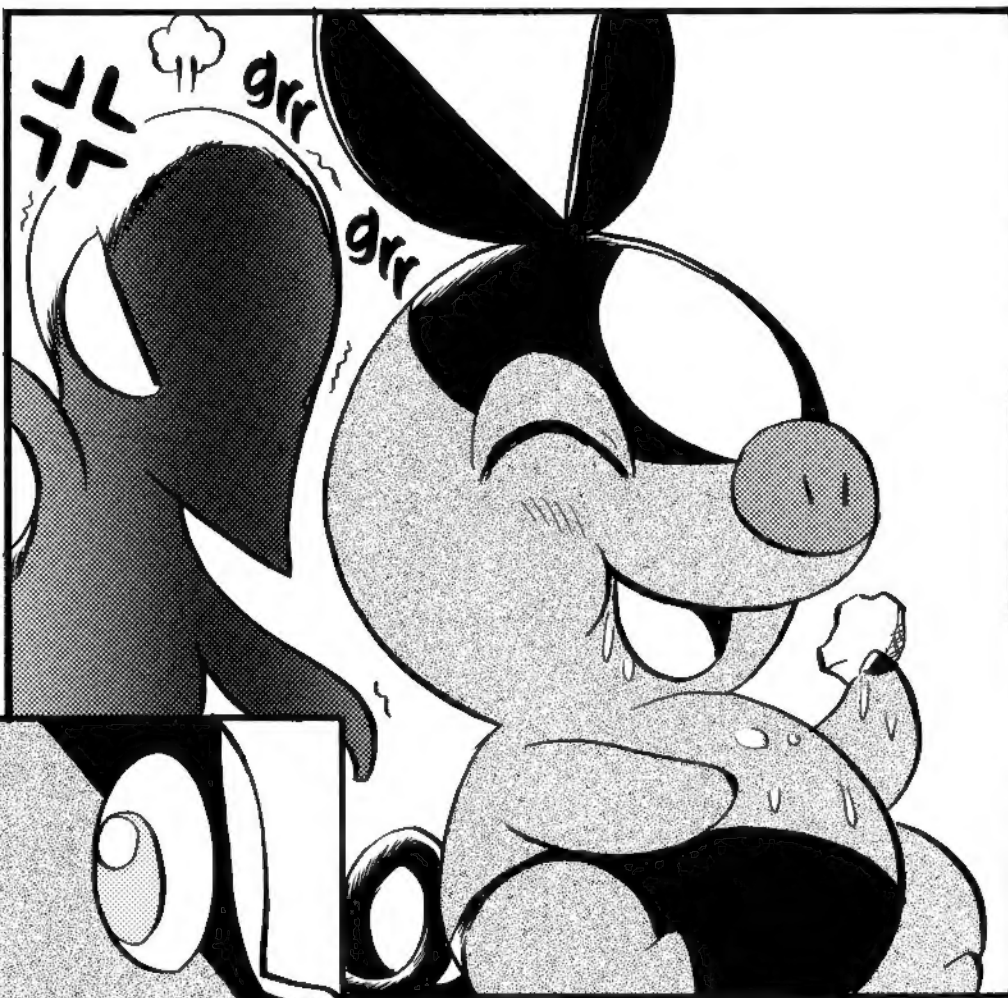
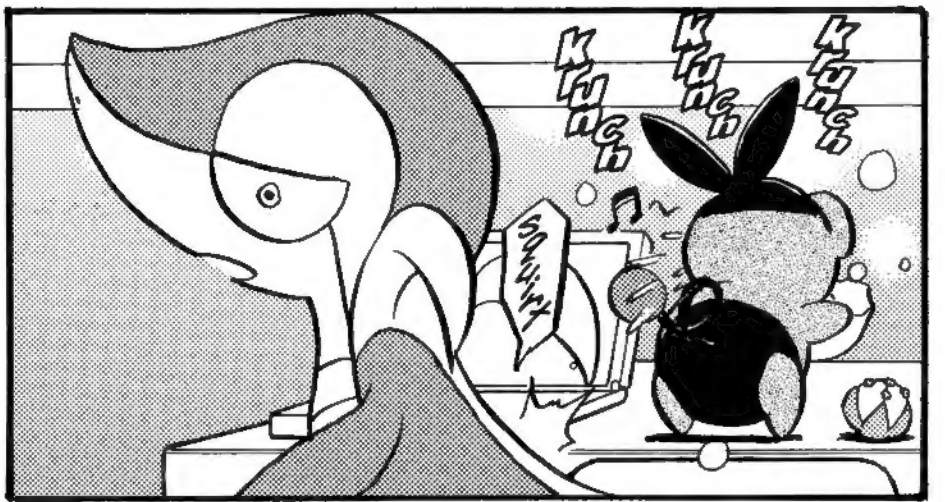
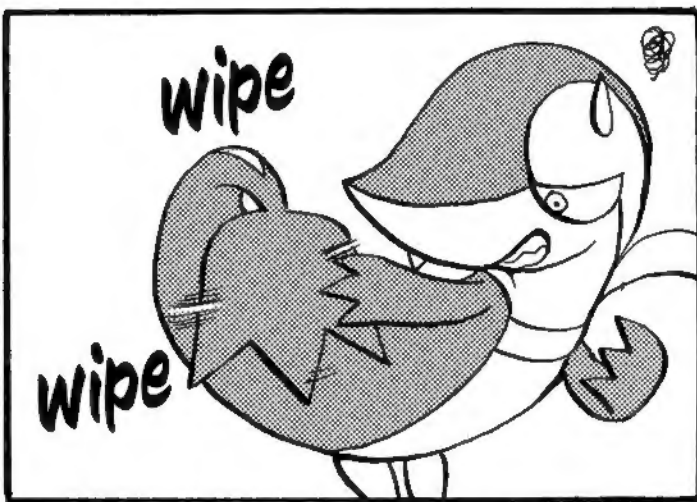
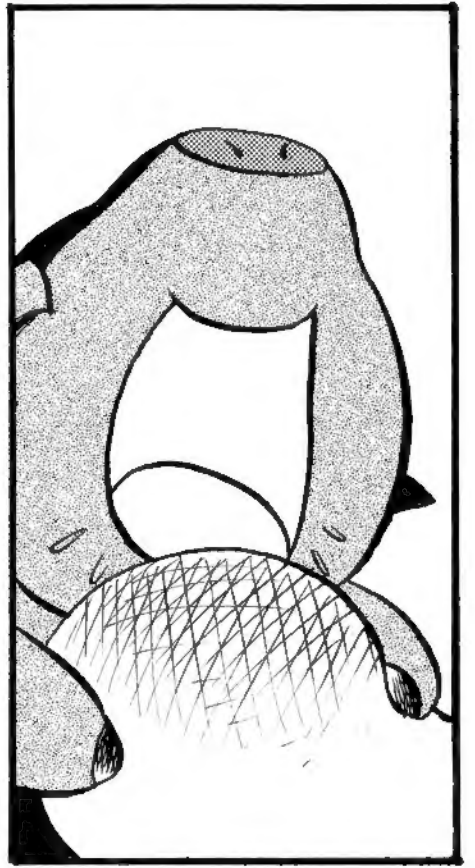


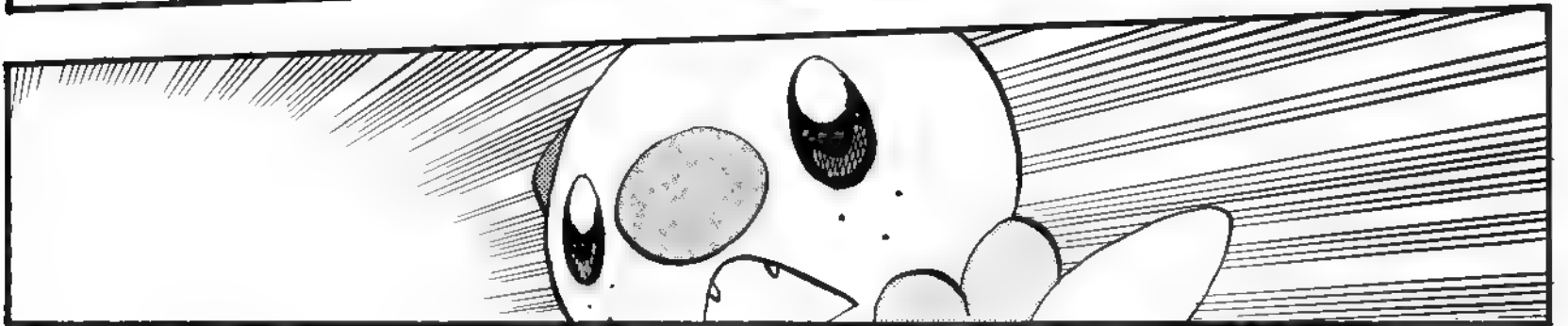


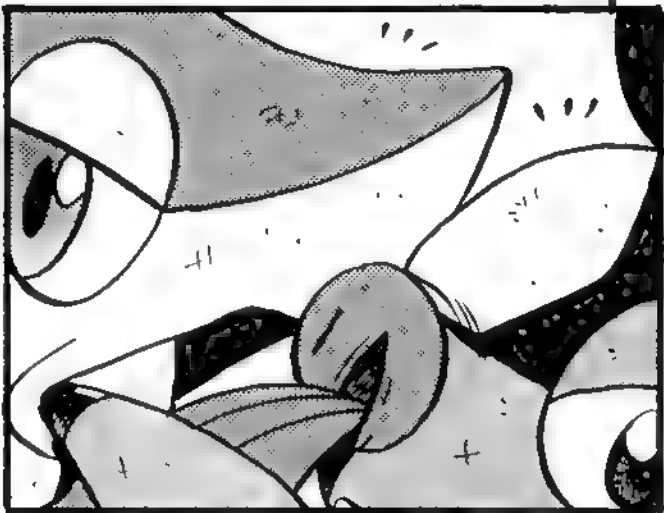
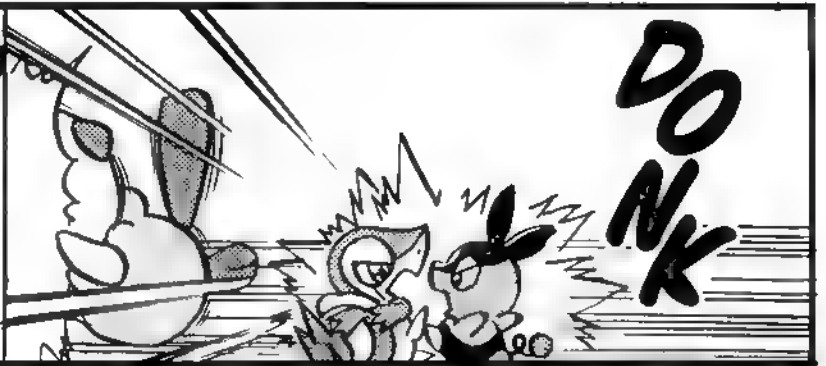


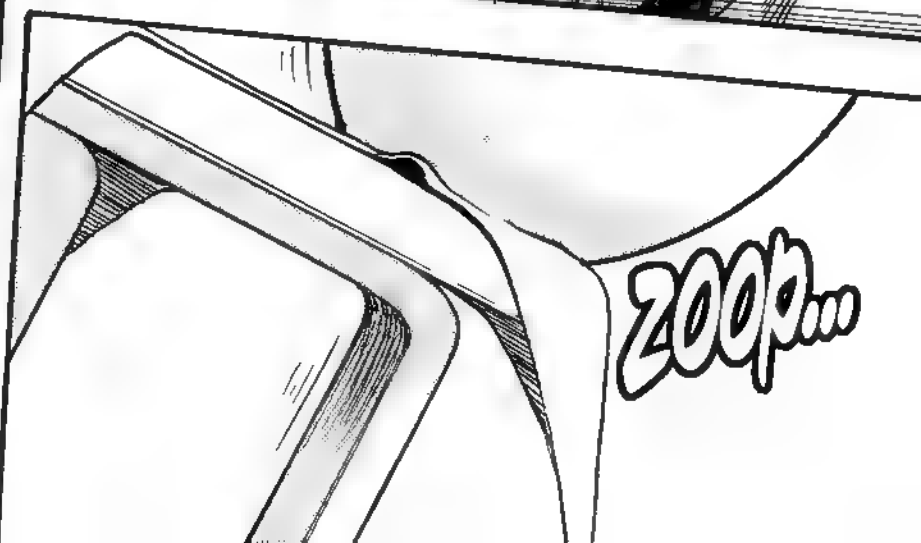
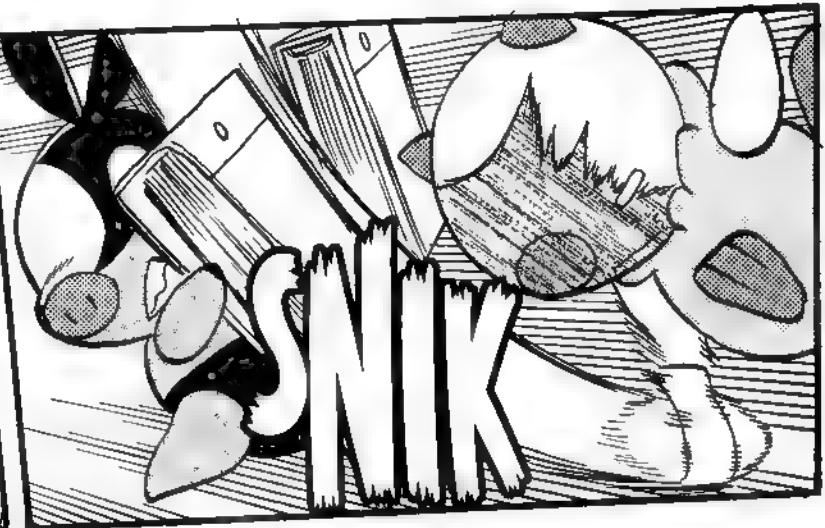
sizzle~

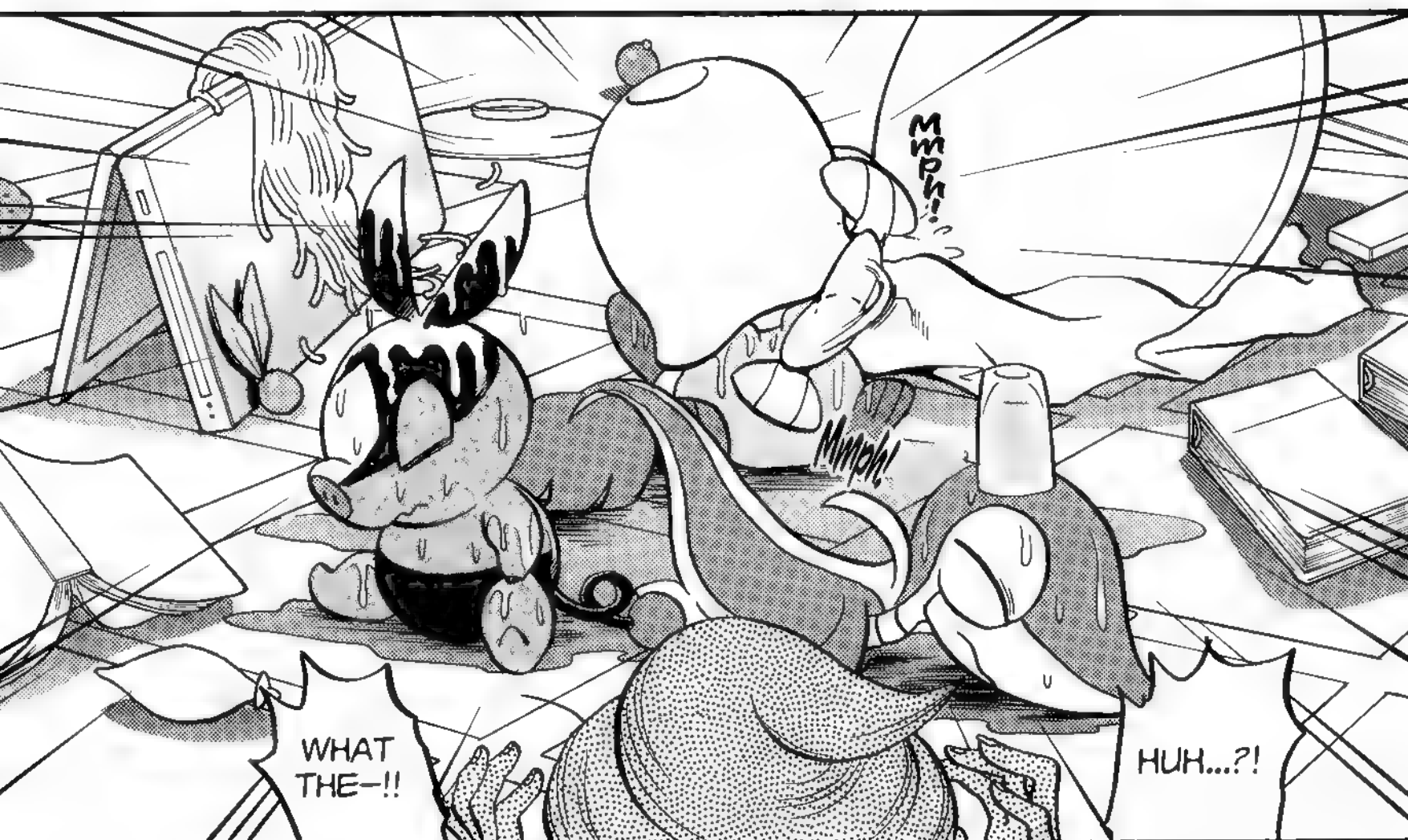


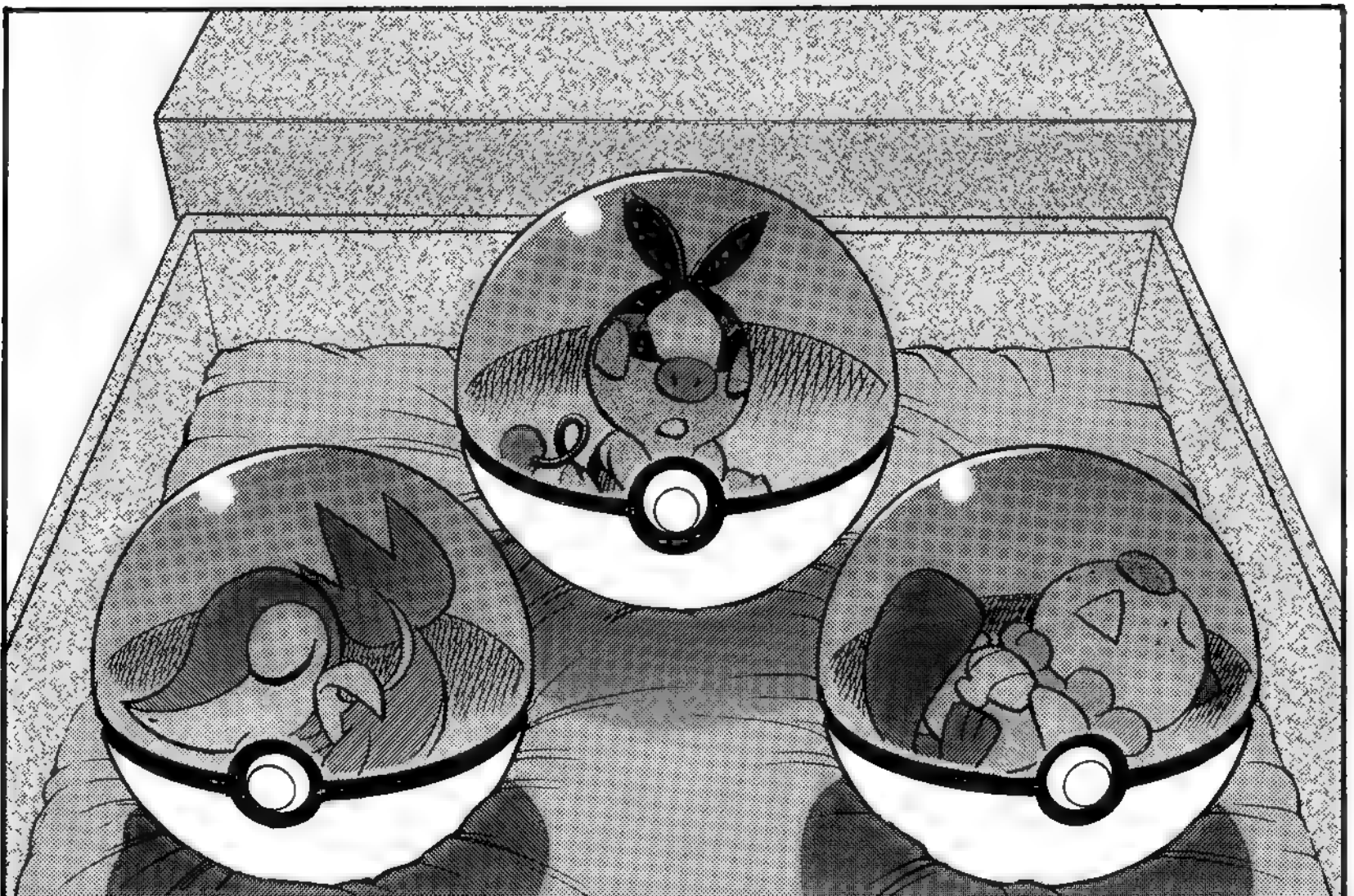
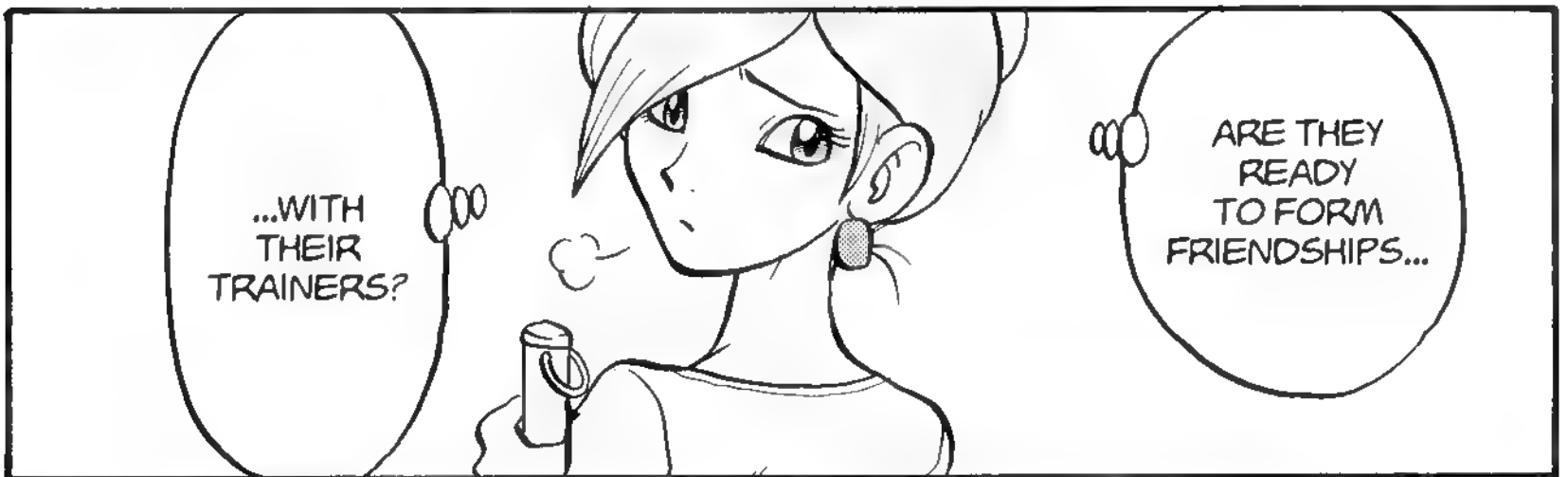
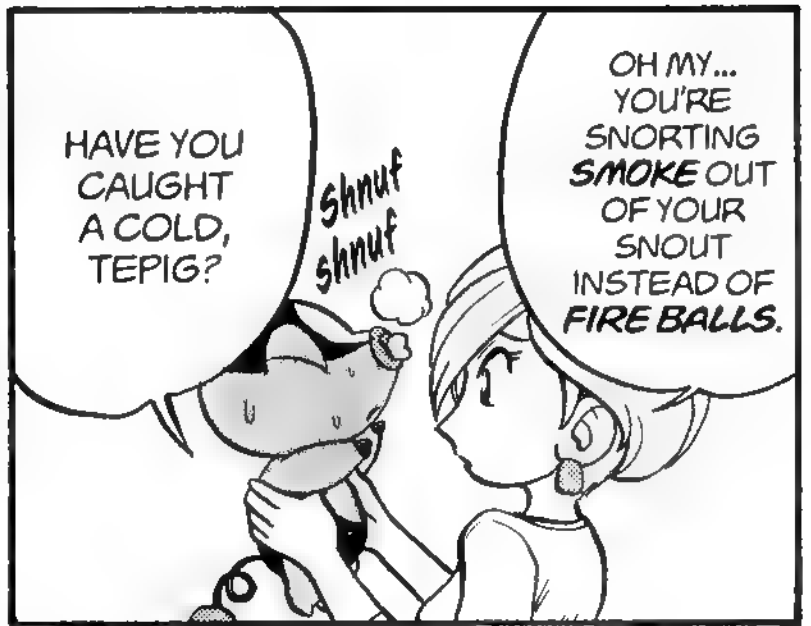
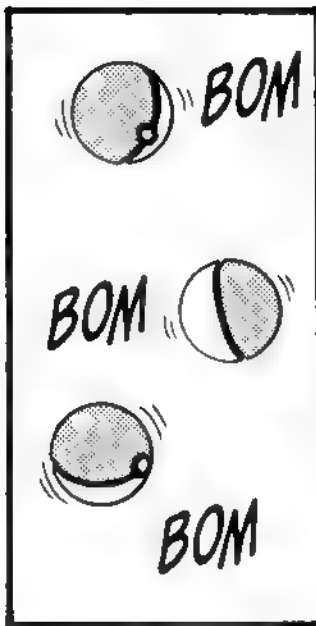
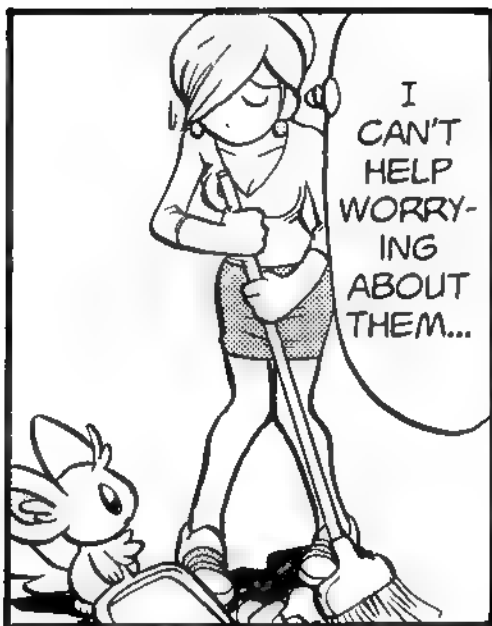












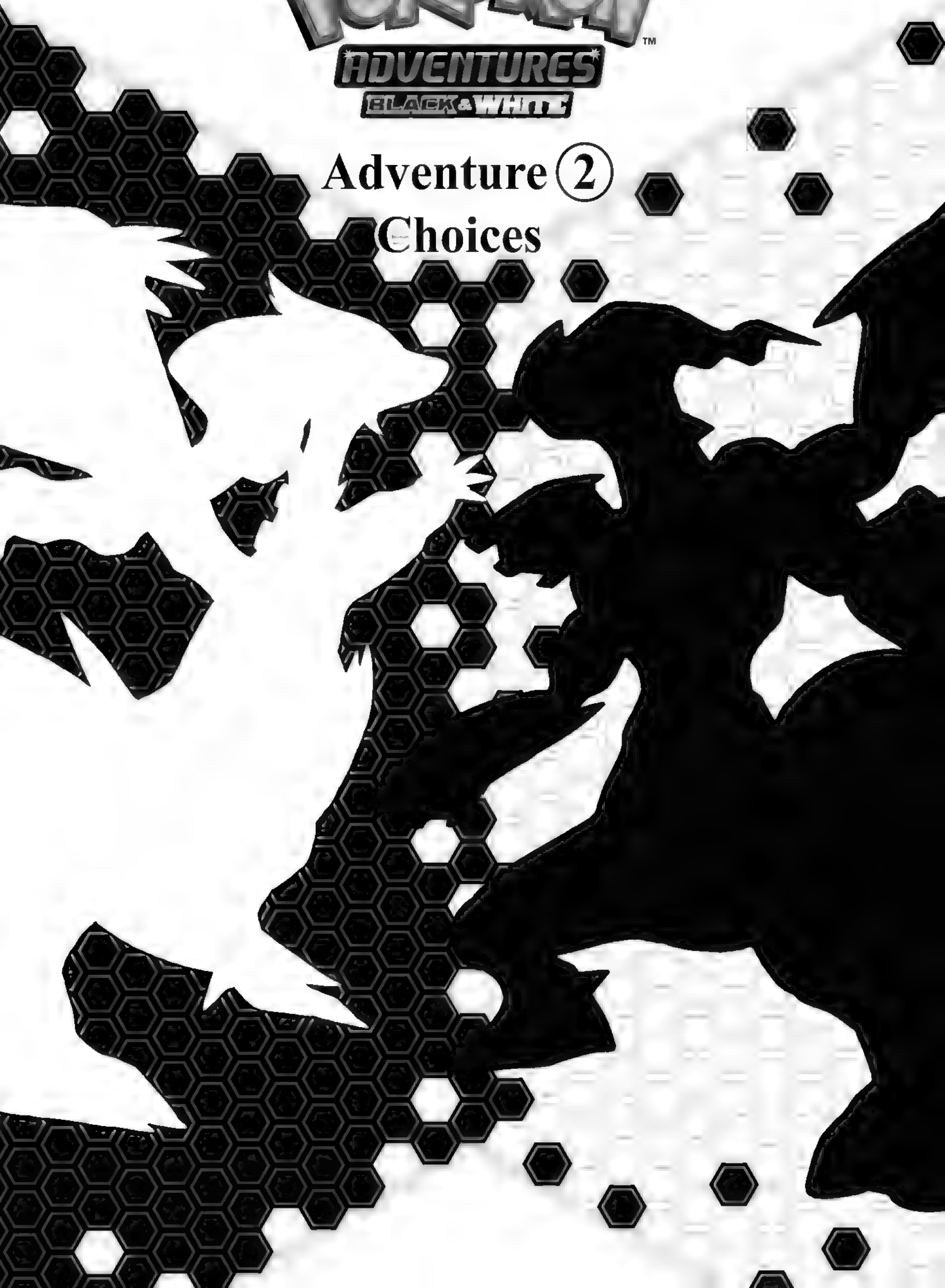
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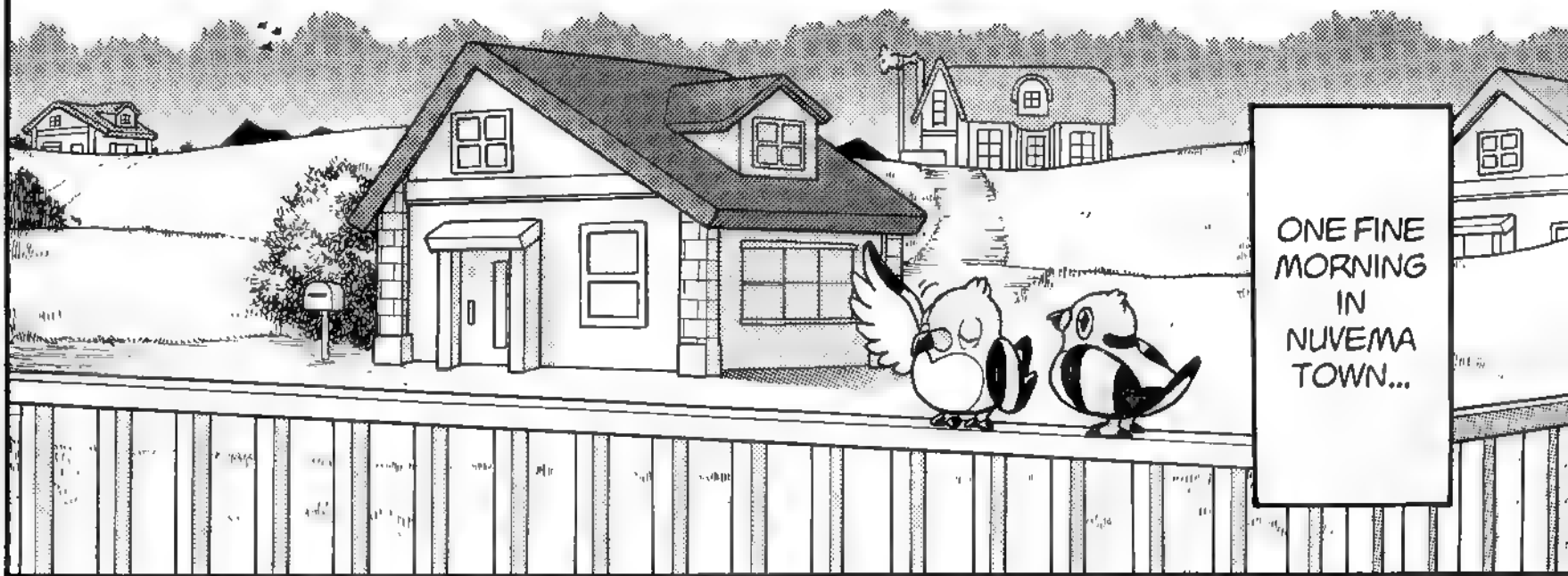
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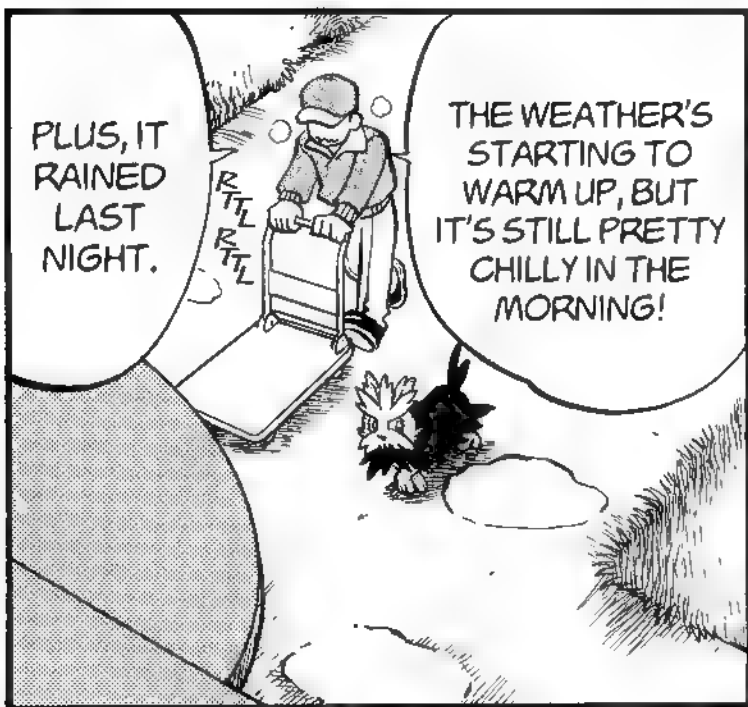
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Choices



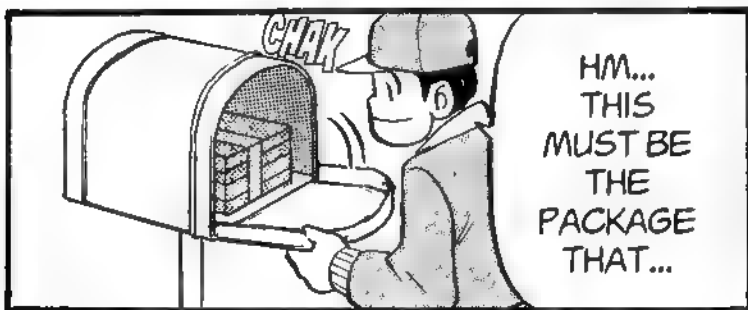


ONE FINE
MORNING
IN
NUVEMA
TOWN...



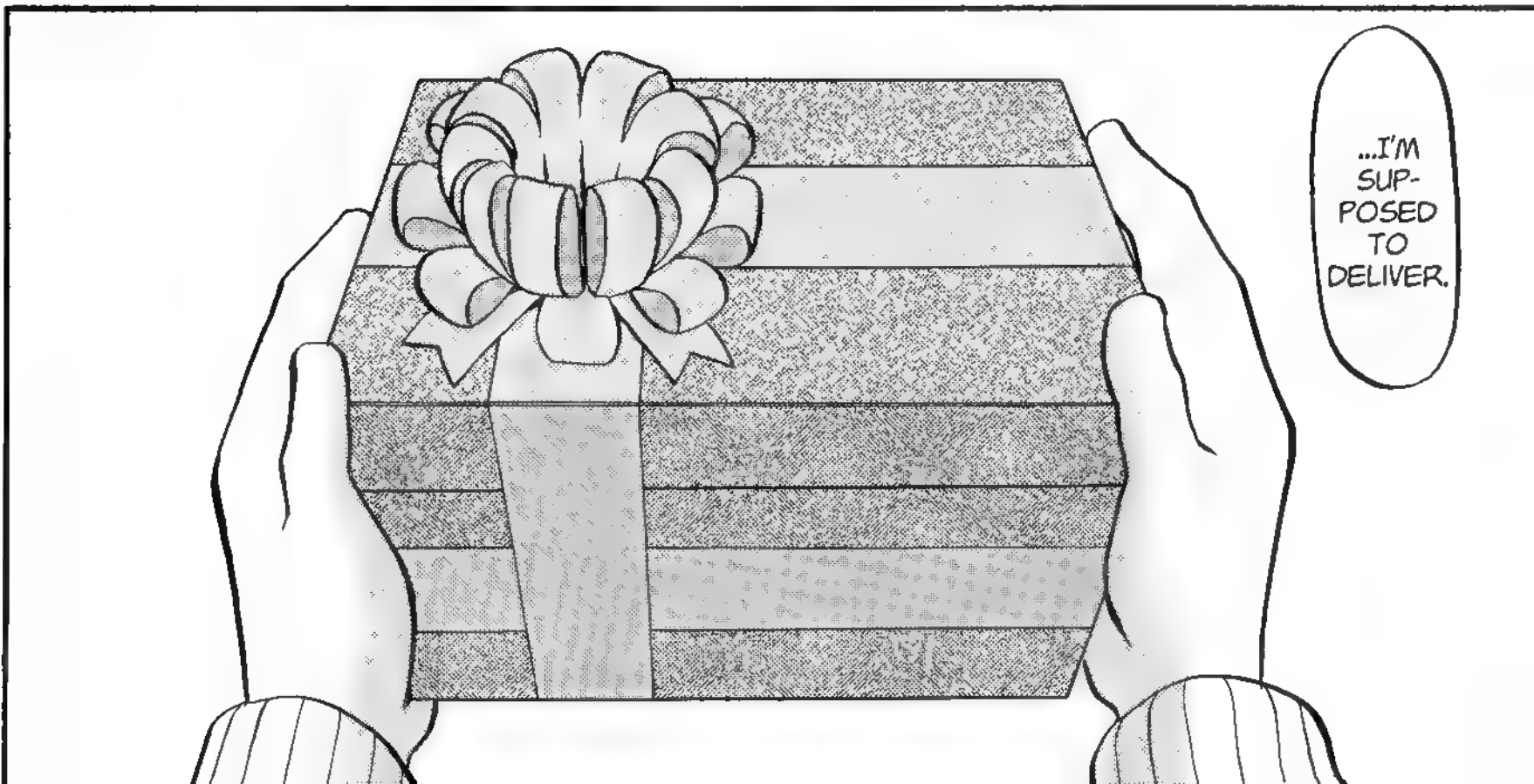
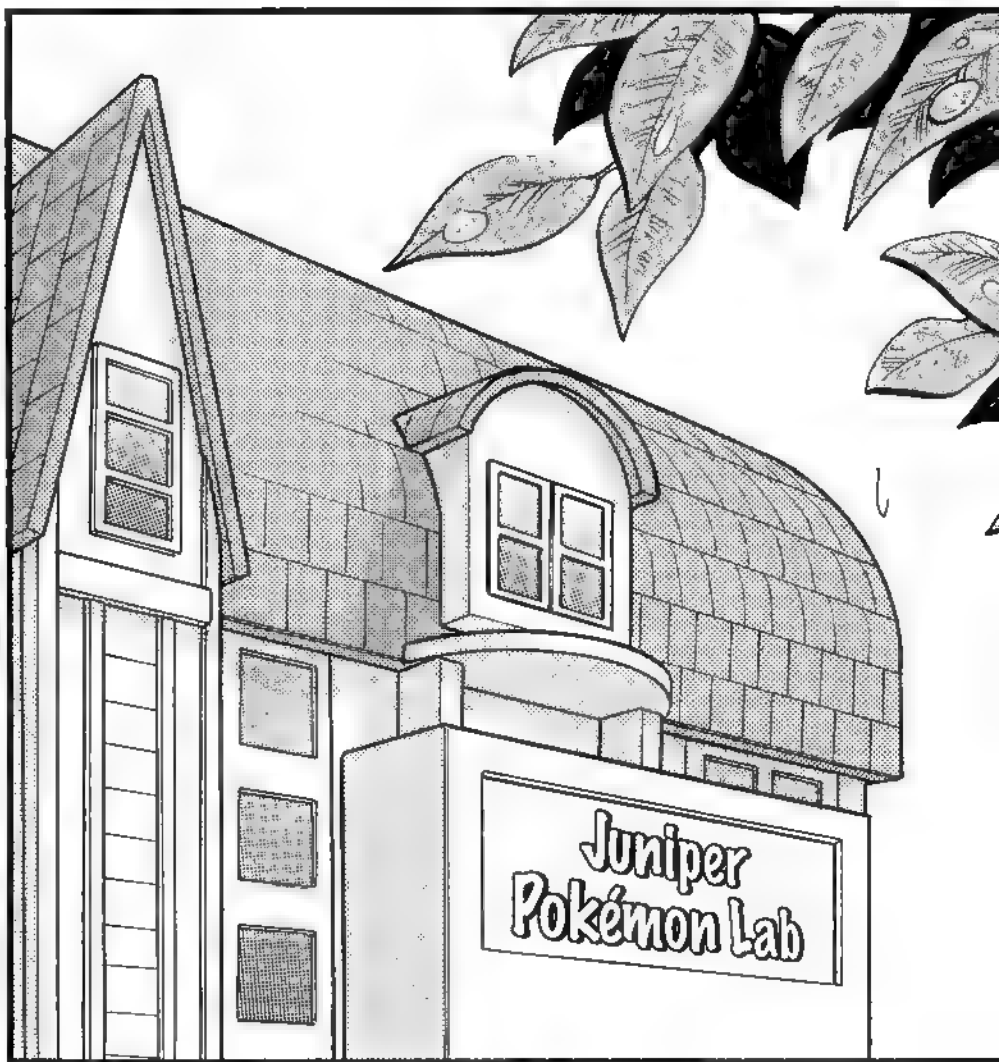
PLUS, IT
RAINED
LAST
NIGHT.

THE WEATHER'S
STARTING TO
WARM UP, BUT
IT'S STILL PRETTY
CHILLY IN THE
MORNING!

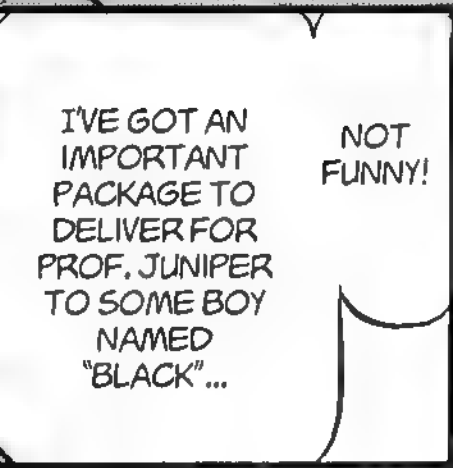
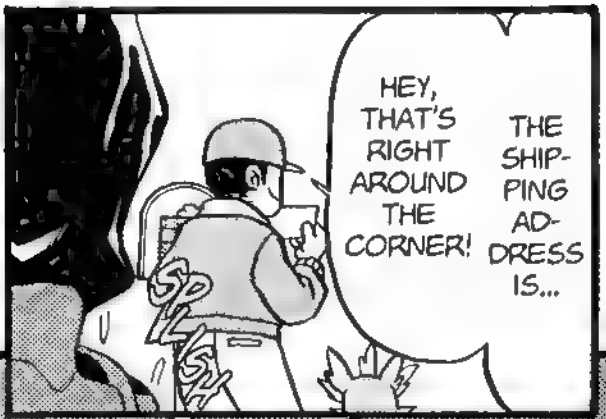


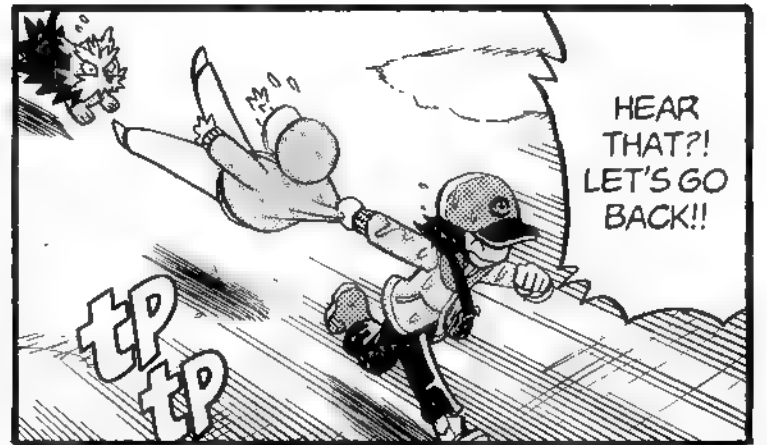
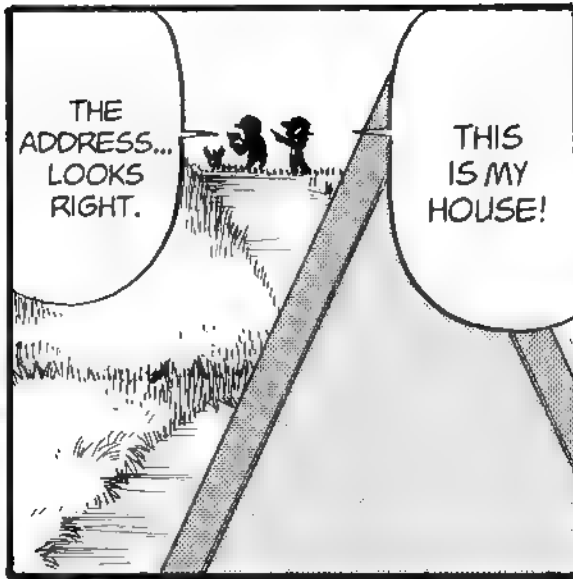
CHAK

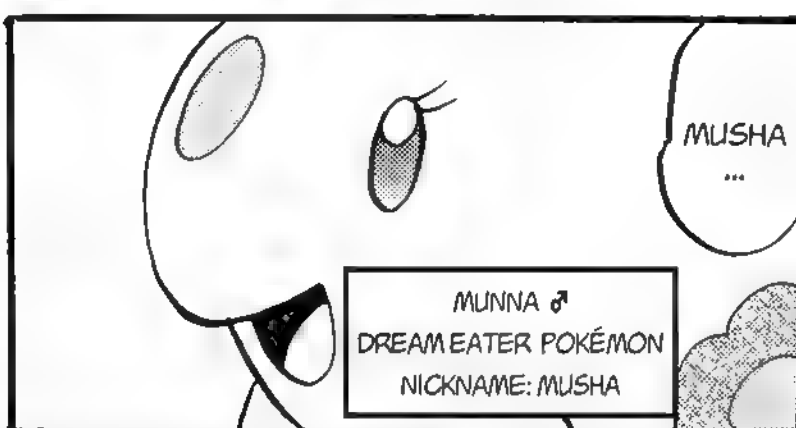
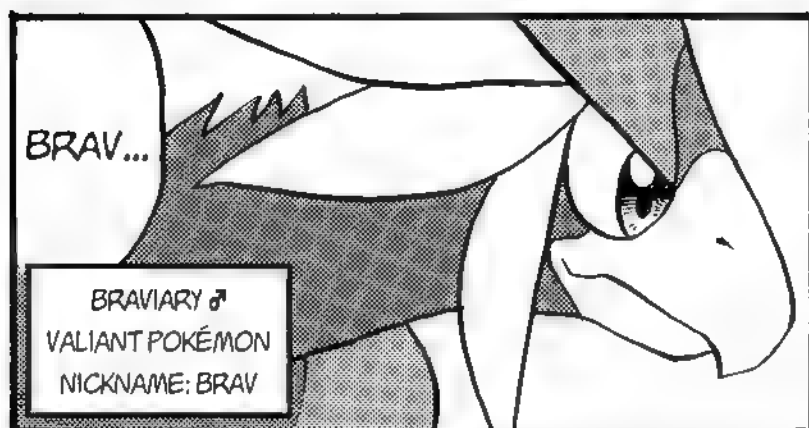
HM...
THIS
MUST BE
THE
PACKAGE
THAT...

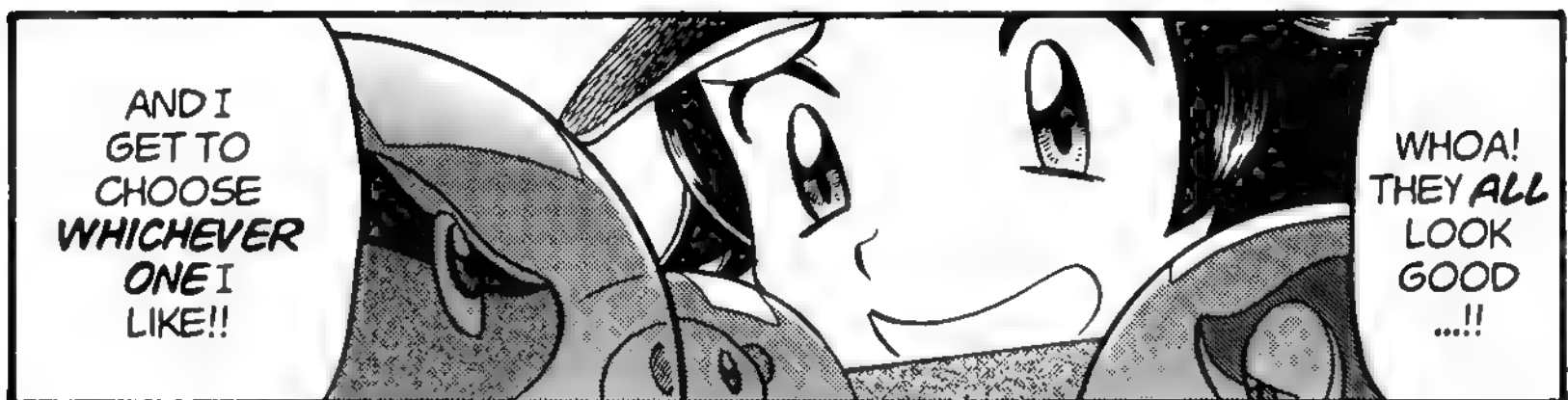
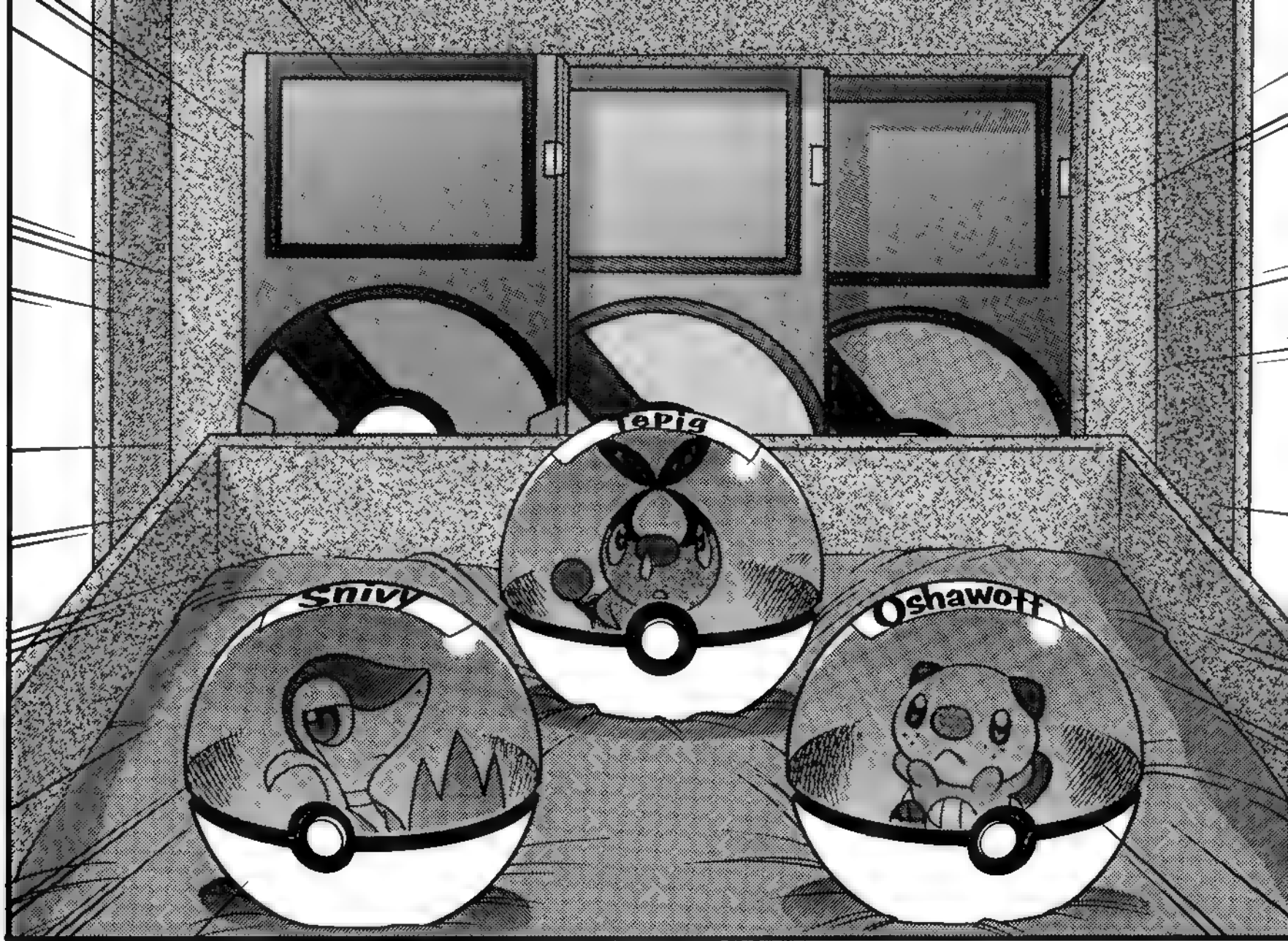


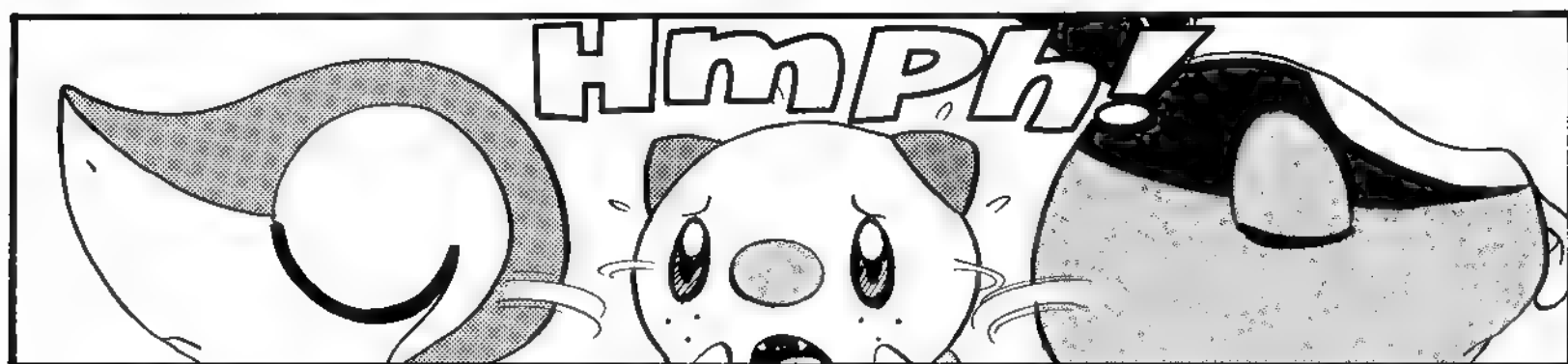
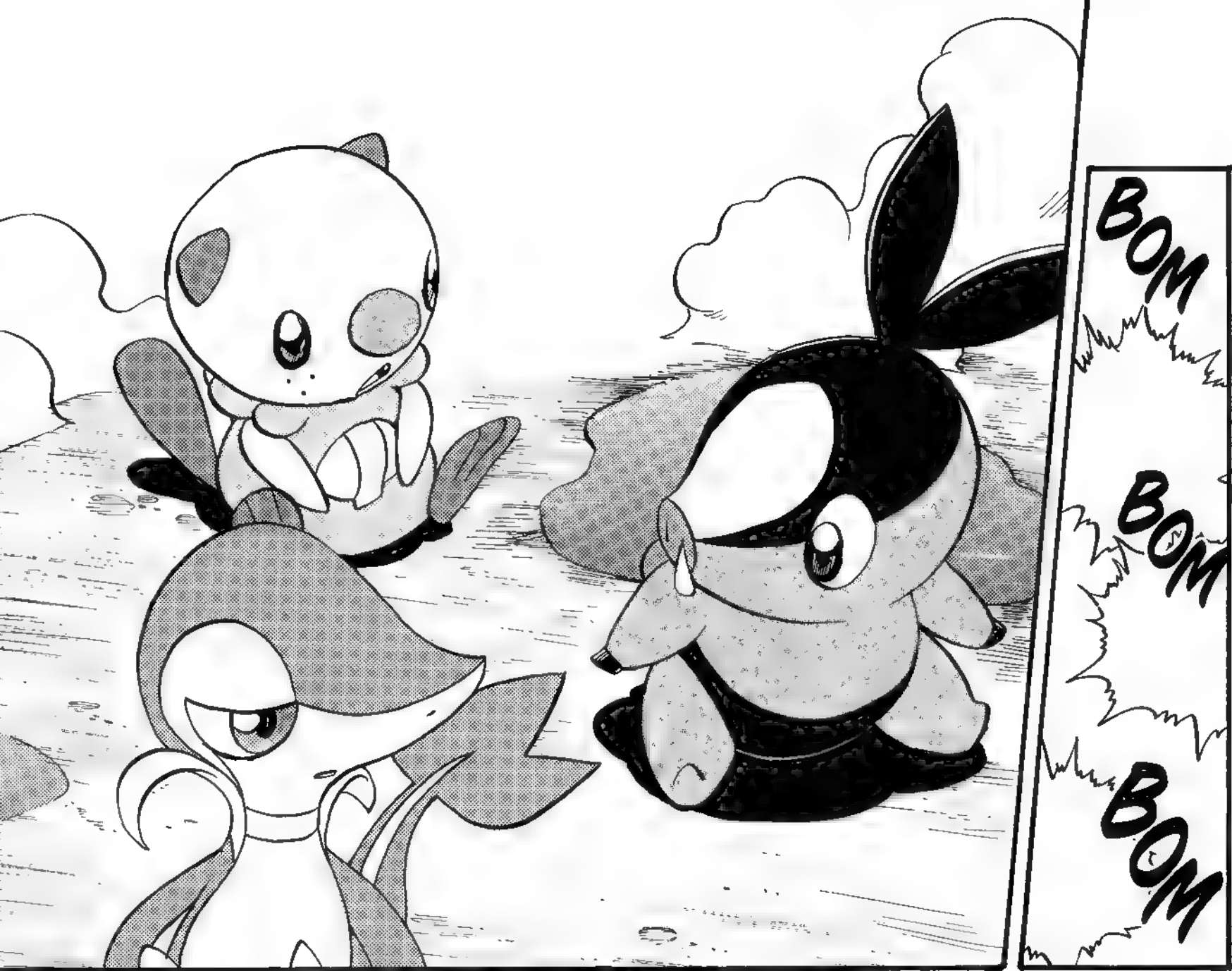
...I'M
SUP-
POSED
TO
DELIVER.

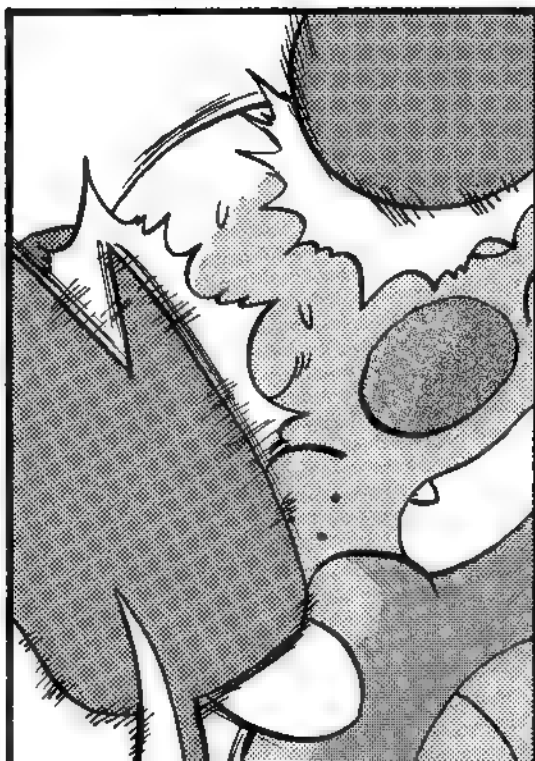
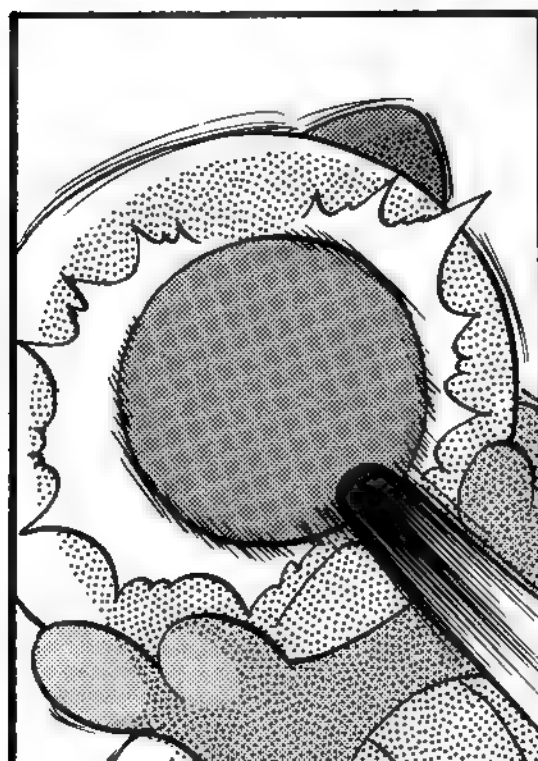


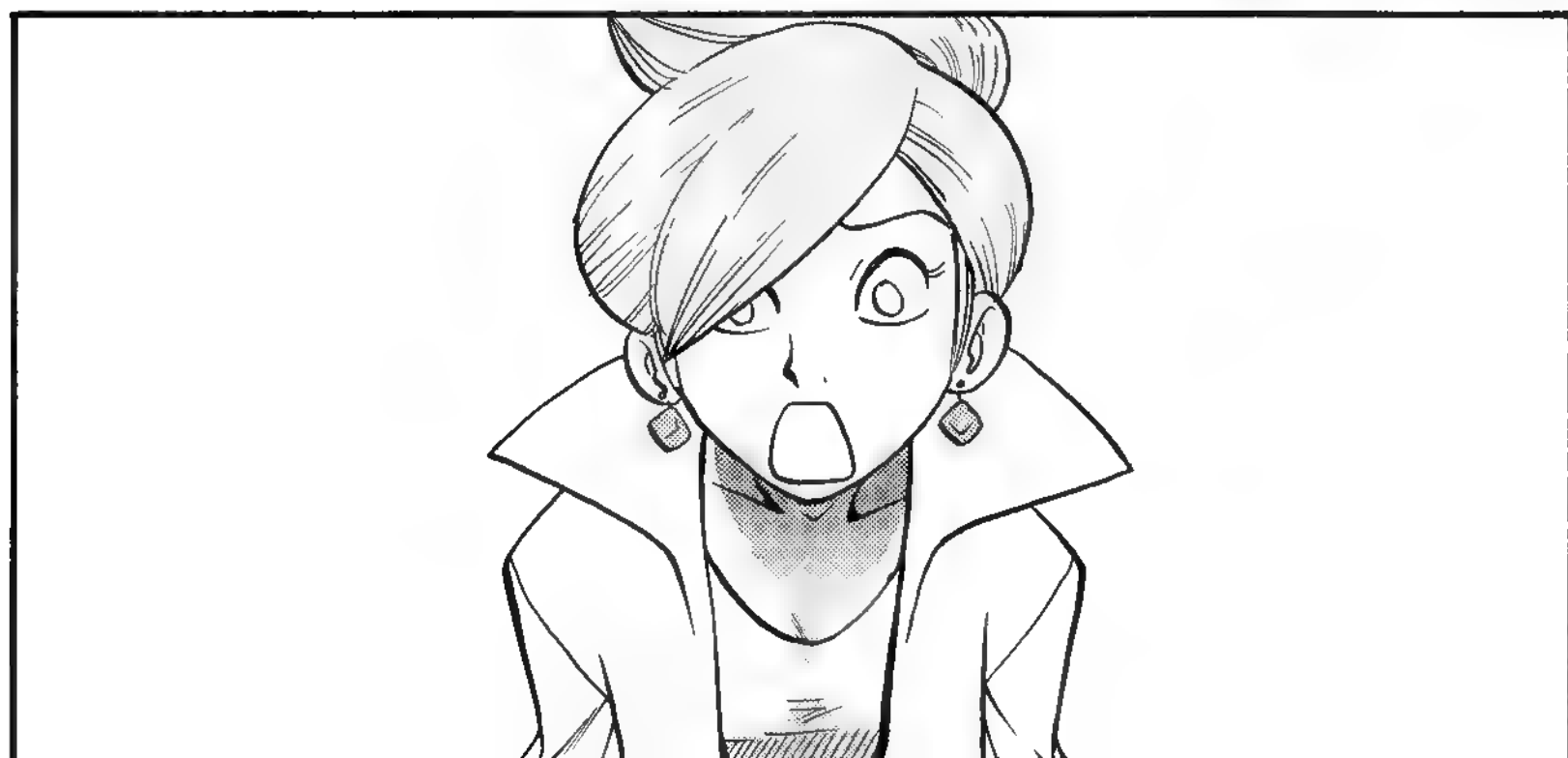
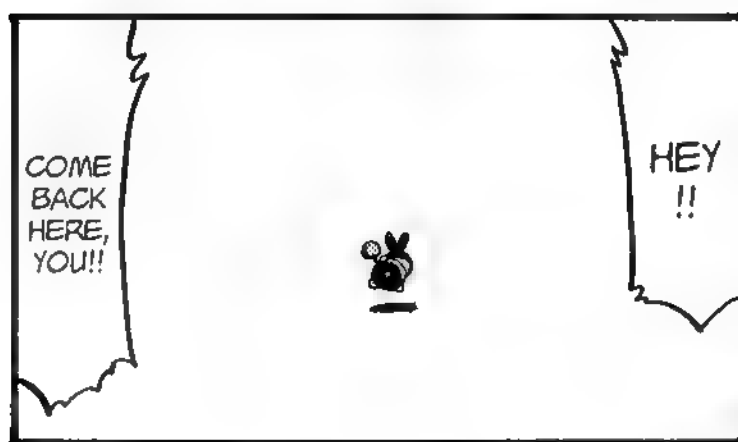


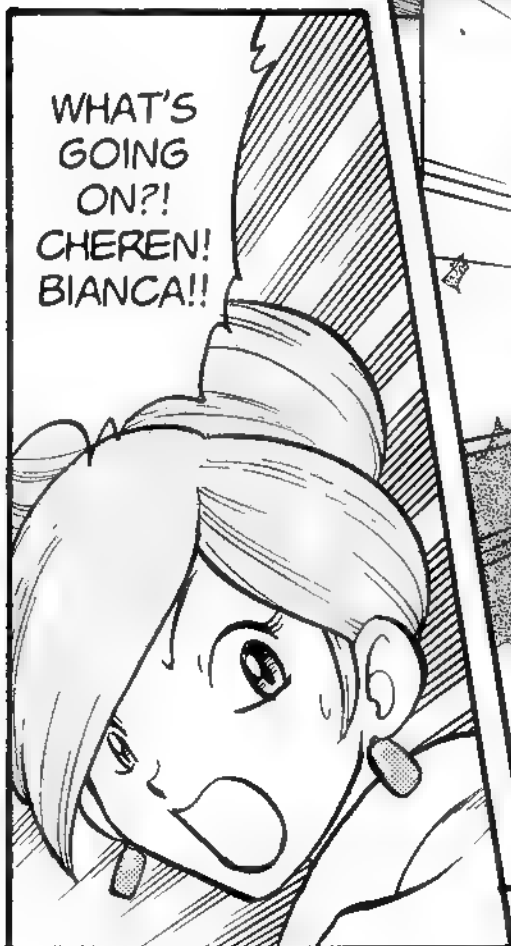












WHAT'S
GOING
ON?!
CHEREN!
BIANCA!!

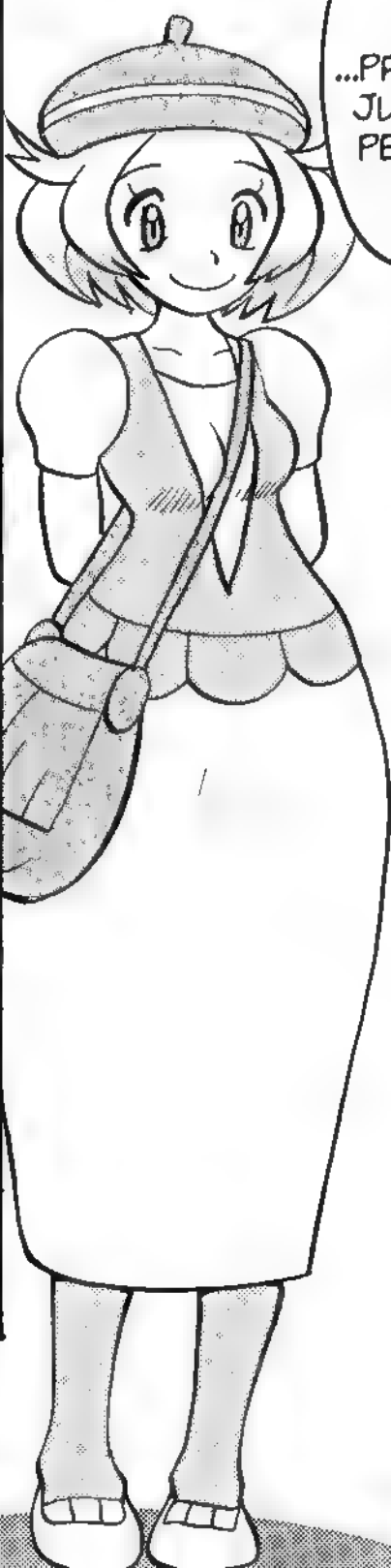


W-WHAT IN
THE WORLD
HAPPENED
HERE?!



WE
WAITED
AND
WAITED,
BUT NO
POKÉMON
CAME!

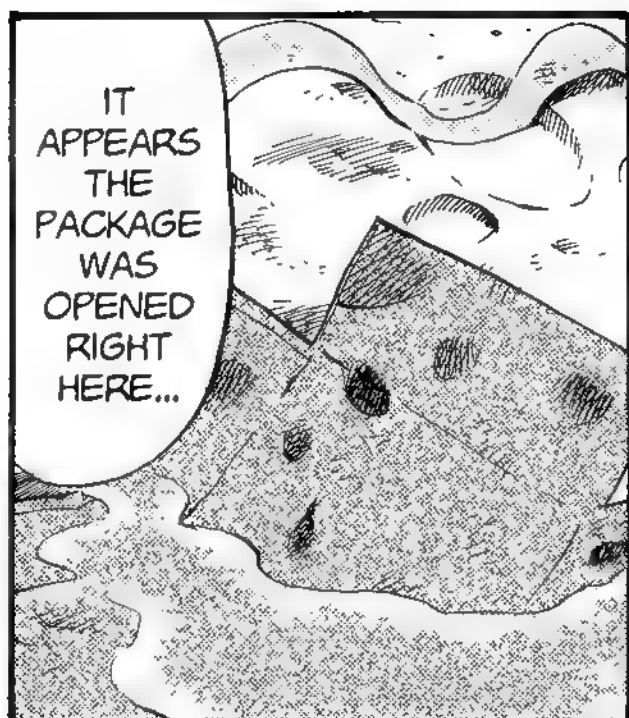
YOU
PROMISED
TO DELIVER
THESE
POKÉMON
TO US
TODAY!



...PROF.
JUNI-
PER!



I
SHOULD
BE ASKING
THE
QUES-
TIONS...



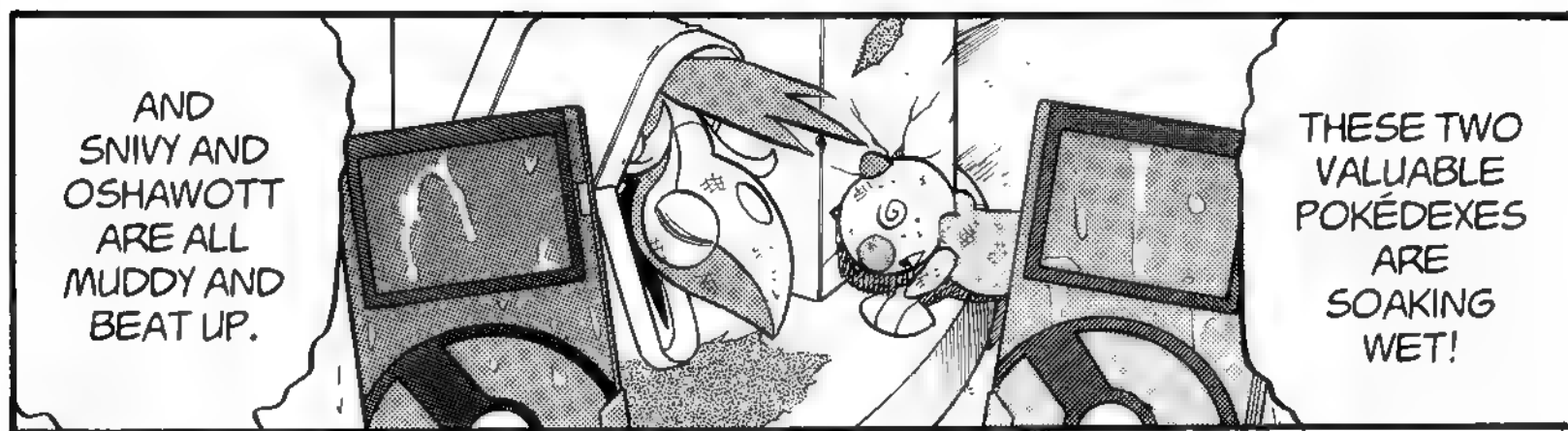
IT
APPEARS
THE
PACKAGE
WAS
OPENED
RIGHT
HERE...



BUT
BLACK
WASN'T
HOME
LAST
NIGHT...

...TO PICK
UP THE
PACKAGE
AND TAKE IT
TO BLACK'S
HOUSE.

I HAD WORK
TO DO, SO I
ARRANGED
FOR A DELIVERY-
MAN...



AND
SNIVY AND
OSHAWOTT
ARE ALL
MUDDY AND
BEAT UP.

THESE TWO
VALUABLE
POKÉDEXES
ARE
SOAKING
WET!



HEY!
CHEREN!!

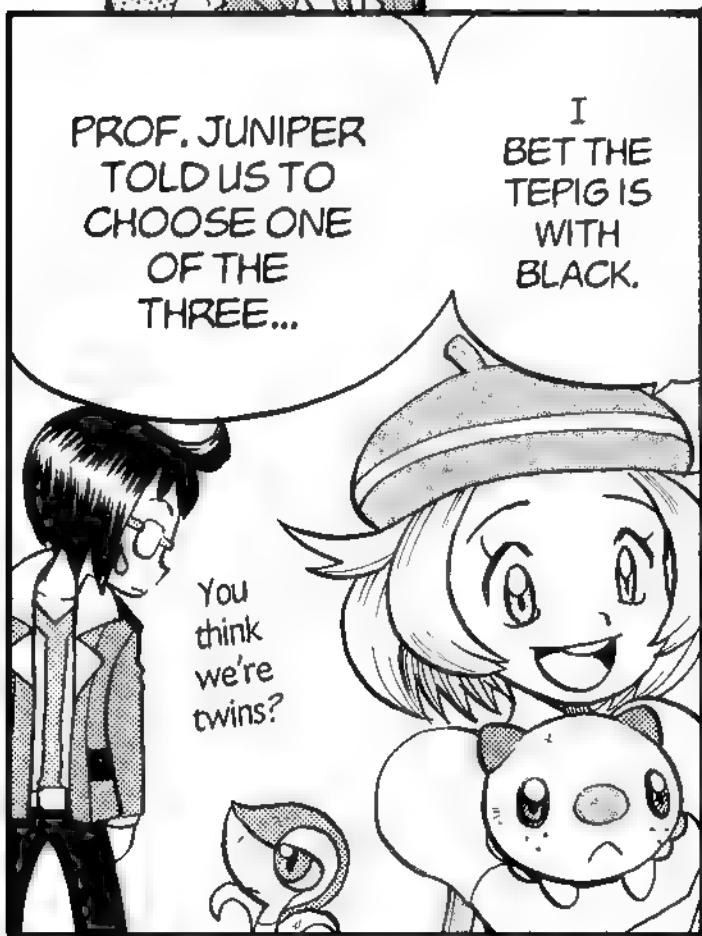
?



AND
WHERE IS
TEPIG AND
THE THIRD
POKÉDEX
?!!

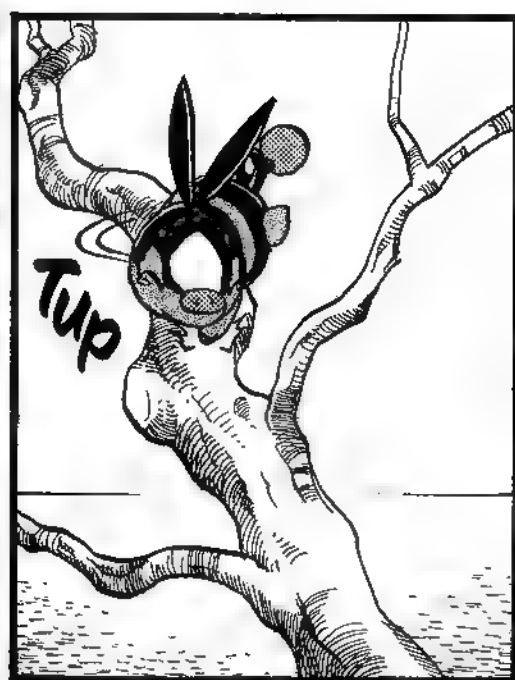
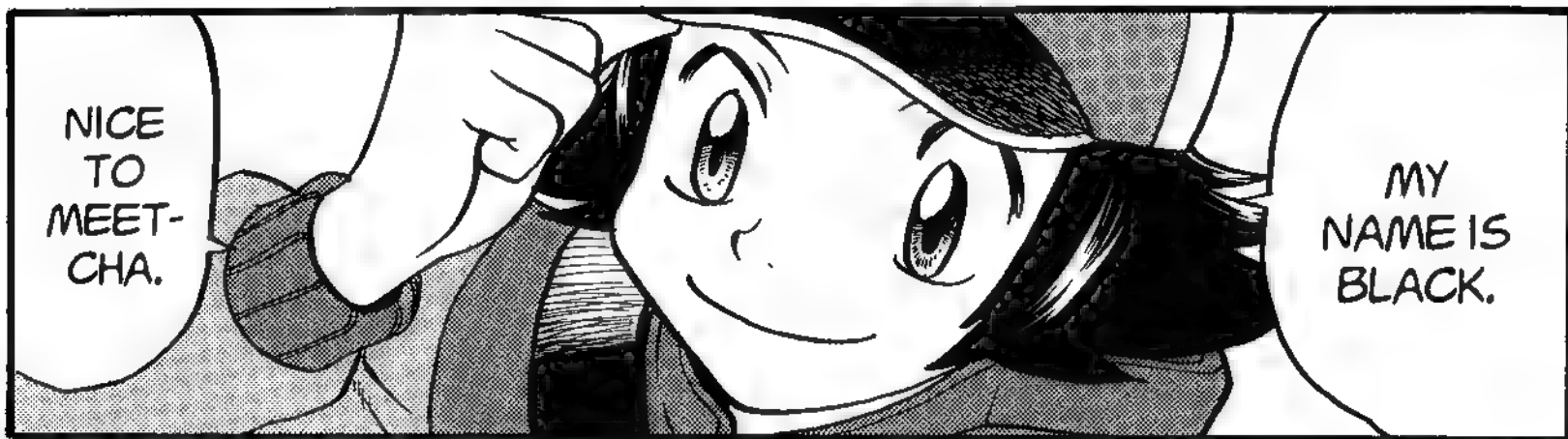
WHERE IS
BLACK
ANYWAY?!

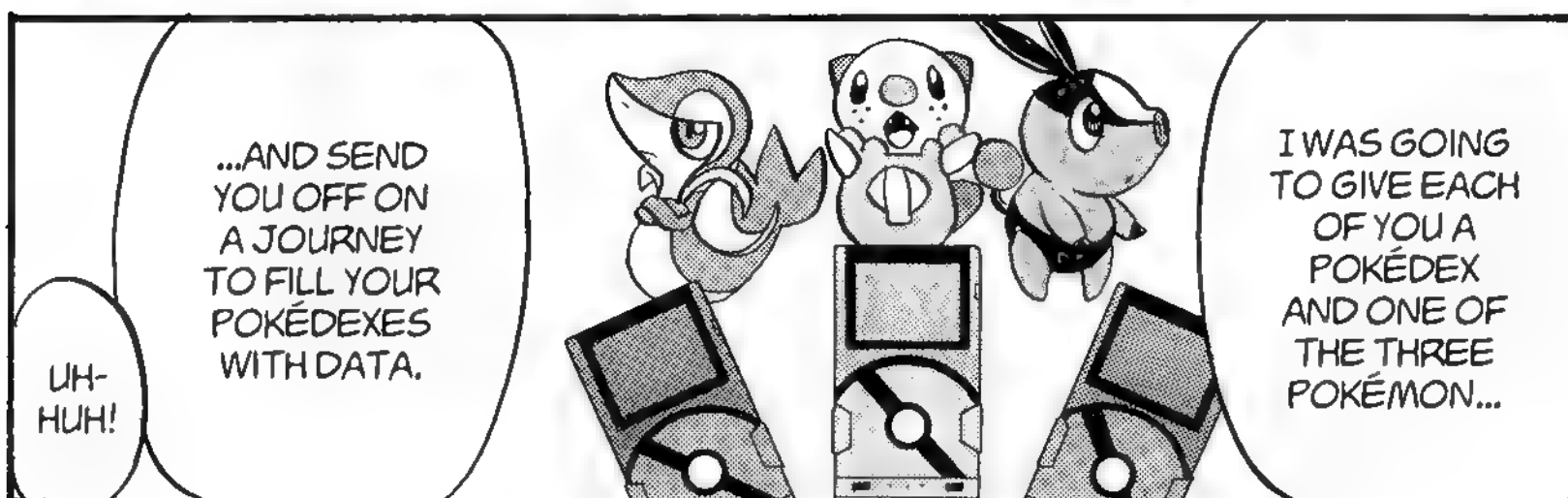
I'VE
GOT
SOME
QUES-
TIONS
TOO...









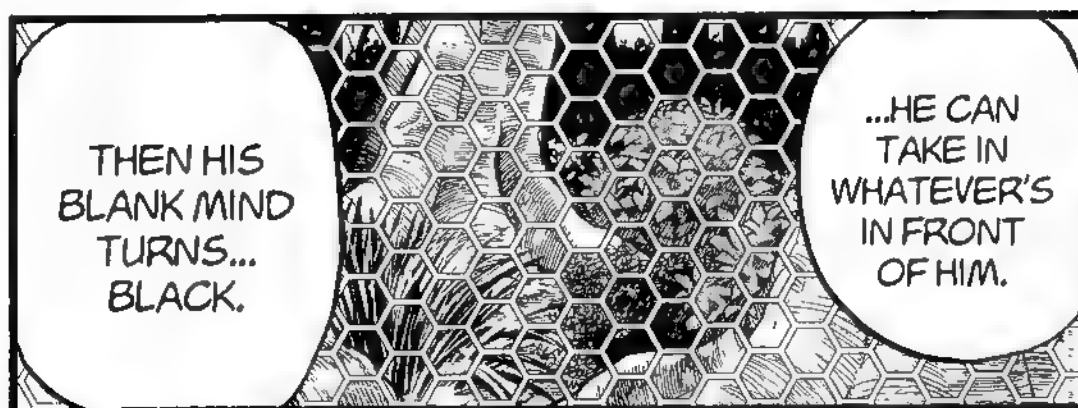








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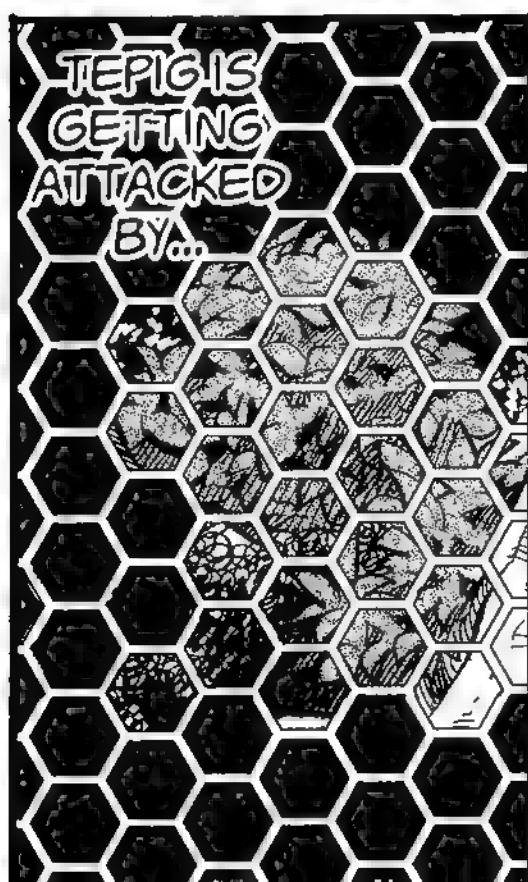


THEN HIS
BLANK MIND
TURNS...
BLACK.

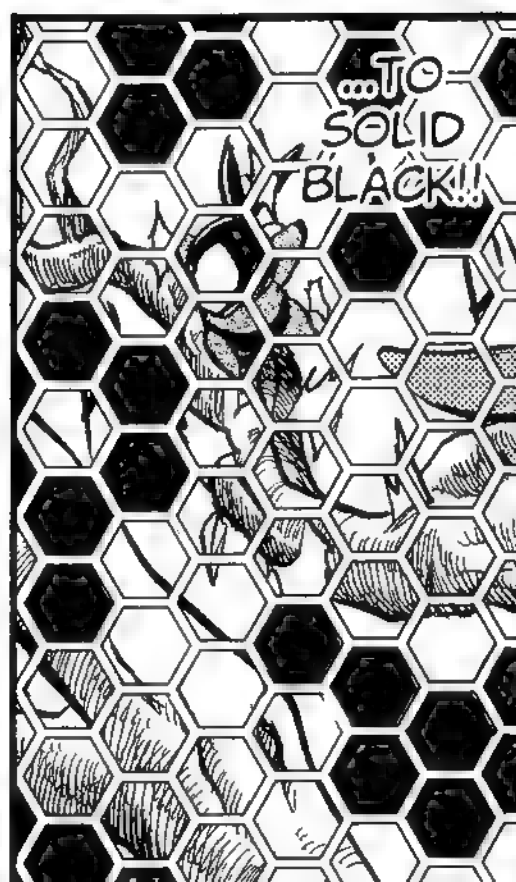
...HE CAN
TAKE IN
WHATEVER'S
IN FRONT
OF HIM.



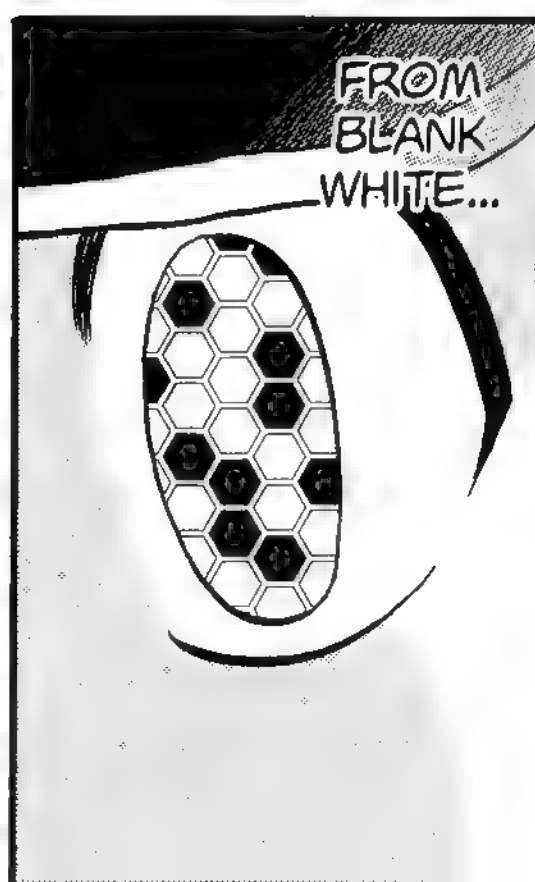
AND
ONCE HIS
MIND IS
BLANK...



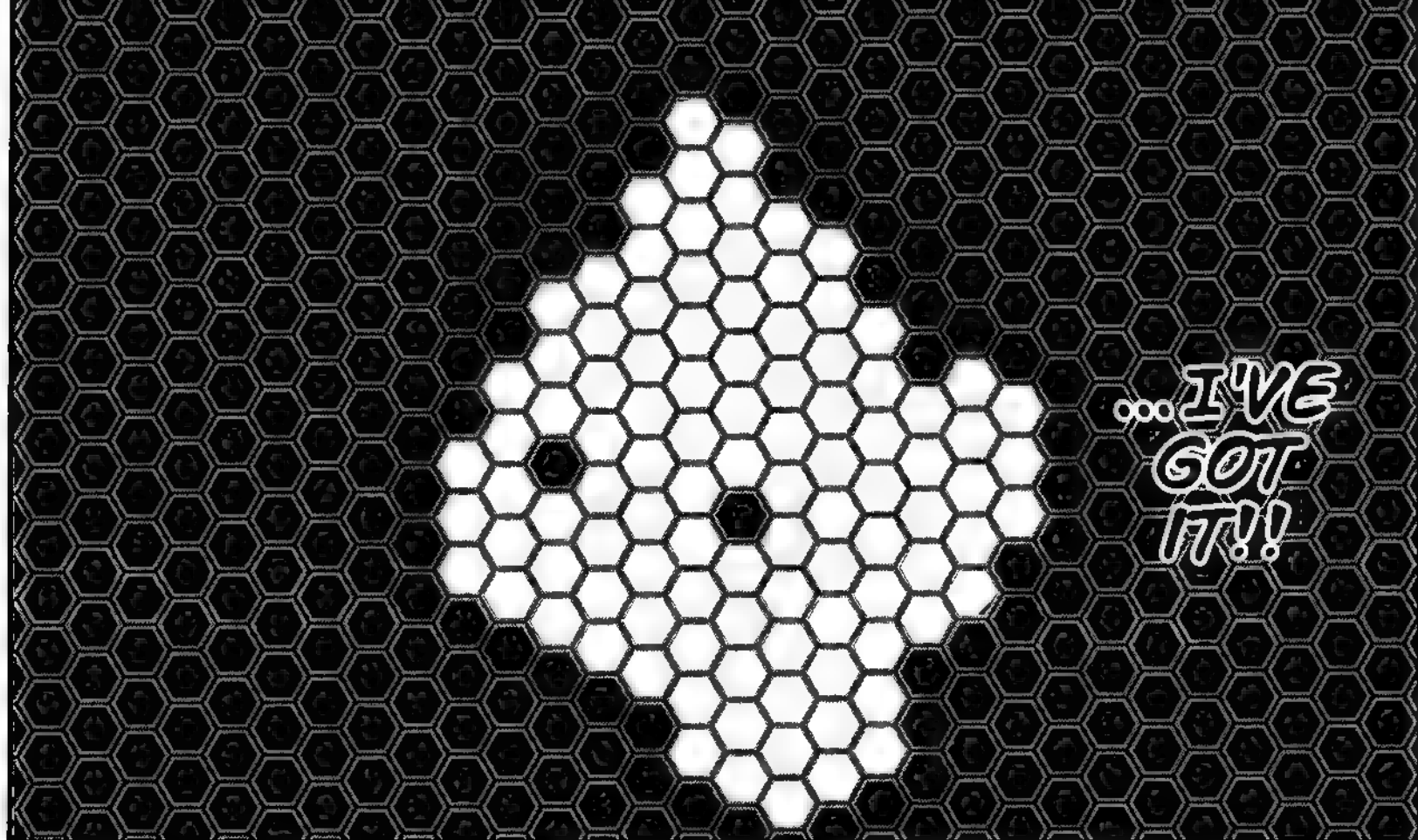
TEPIG IS
GETTING
ATTACKED
BY...



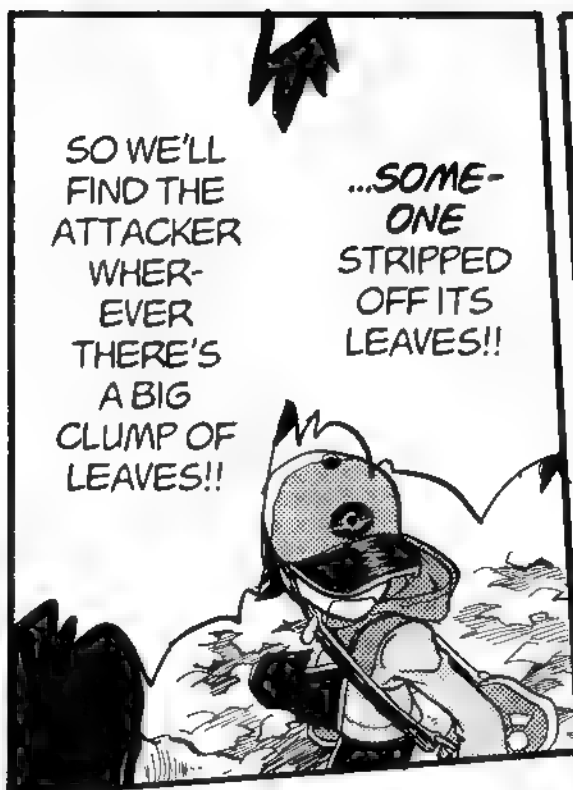
...TO
SOLID
BLACK!!



FROM
BLANK
WHITE...



...I'VE
GOT
IT!!



SO WE'LL
FIND THE
ATTACKER
WHERE-
EVER
THERE'S
A BIG
CLUMP OF
LEAVES!!

...SOME-
ONE
STRIPPED
OFF ITS
LEAVES!!



BUT THE
TREE TEPIG
CLIMBED
IS PRAC-
TICALLY
BARE!!
THAT
MEANS...

...ARE
THICK
WITH
LEAVES.



ALL
THESE
TREES
...

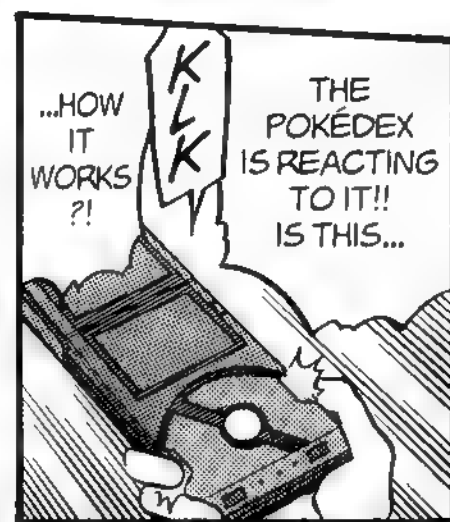
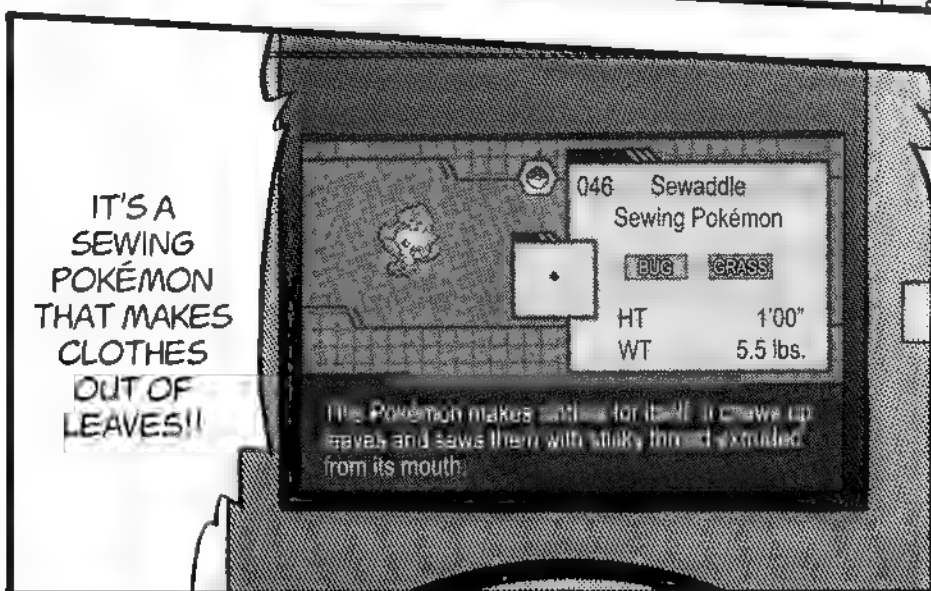


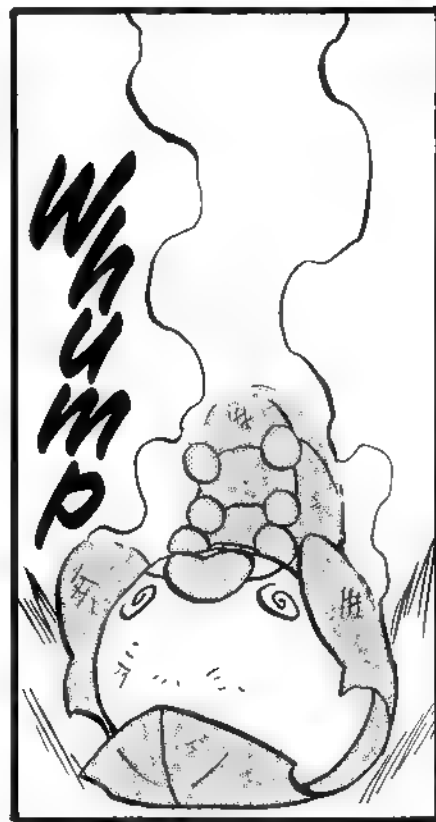
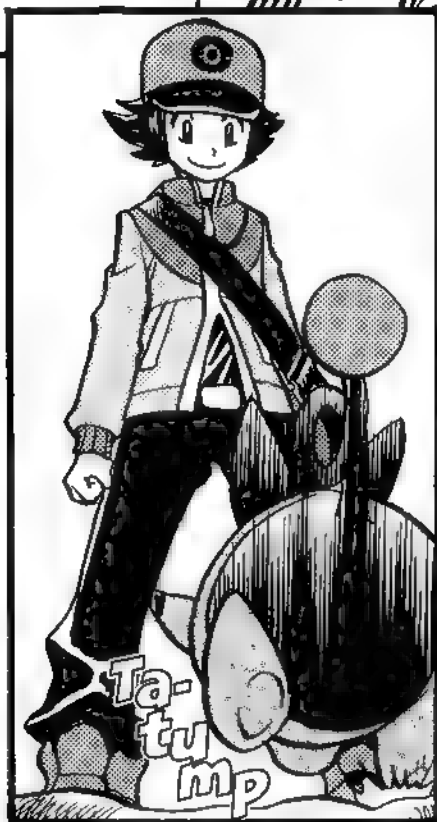
...THERE
!

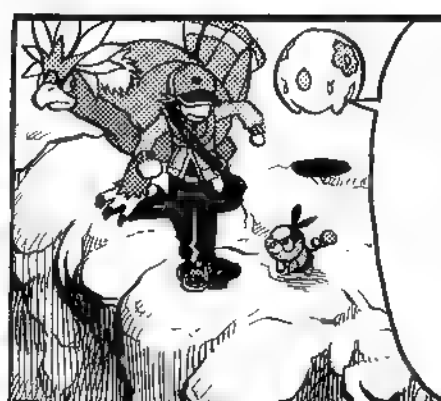
BRAV
!!

FWAPPA
FWAP!!

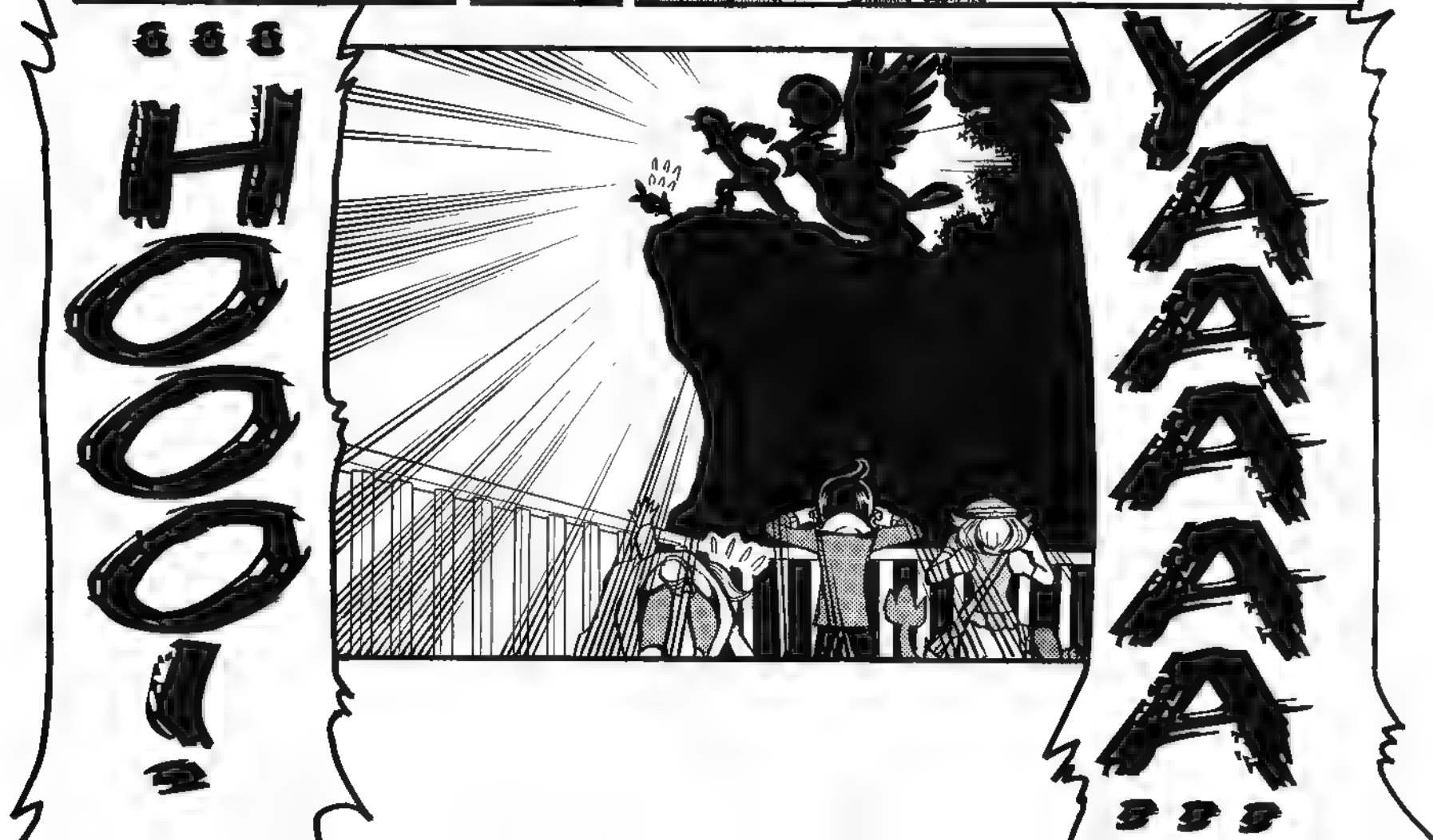
CU
CU
CU







AWESOME!
OKAY, NOW THAT
YOU'RE ONE OF US...
YOU GET TO JOIN IN
WITH SOMETHING I
DO EVERY DAY.





READY
OR
NOT,
HERE
I
COME
!!!

YOU
TOO,
ELITE
FOUR
!!

WATCH
OUT,
REIGN-
ING
CHAMPI-
ON!!

I'M
REALLY,
REALLY,
REALLY
GONNA
WIN
IT!!!

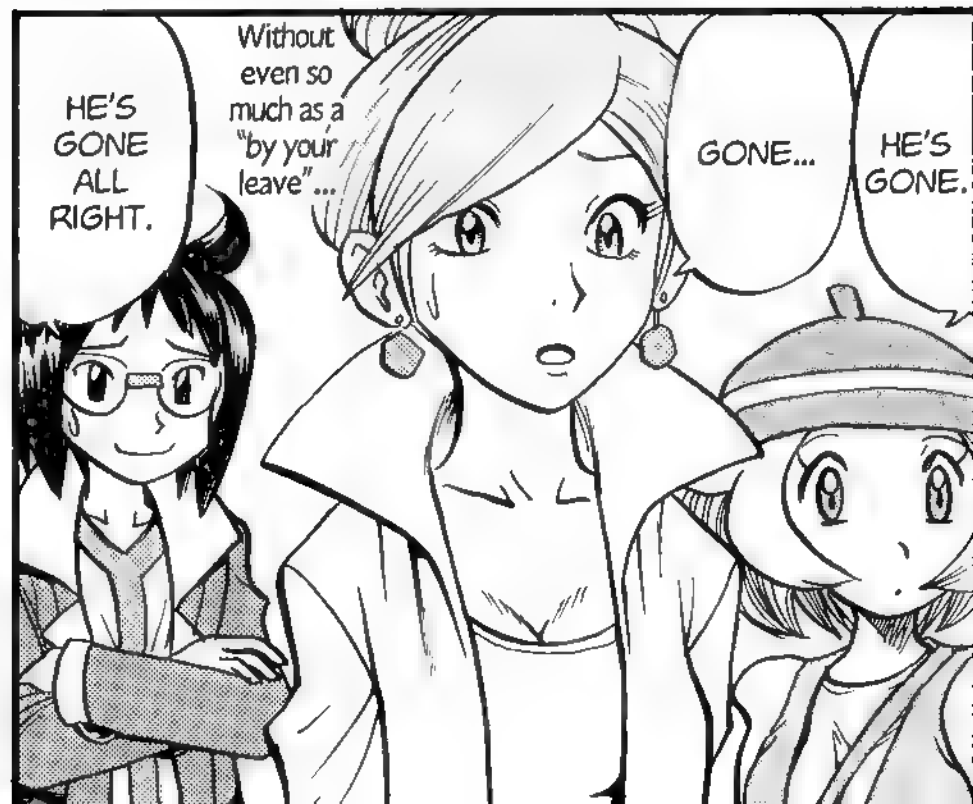


I'M
GOING
TO THE
POKÉMON
LEAGUE
CHAMPION-
SHIP
AND
I'M
GONNA
WIN!!!



MU-
SHA
!!

LET'S
GO!!
BRAV!!



HE'S
GONE
ALL
RIGHT.

Without
even so
much as a
"by your
leave"...

GONE...

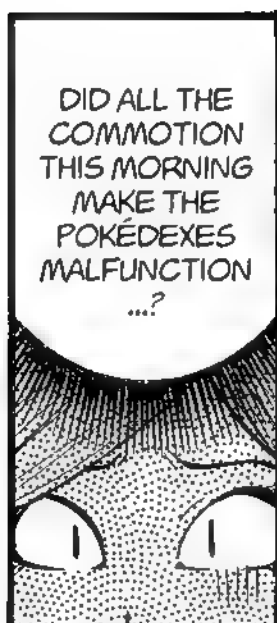
HE'S
GONE.



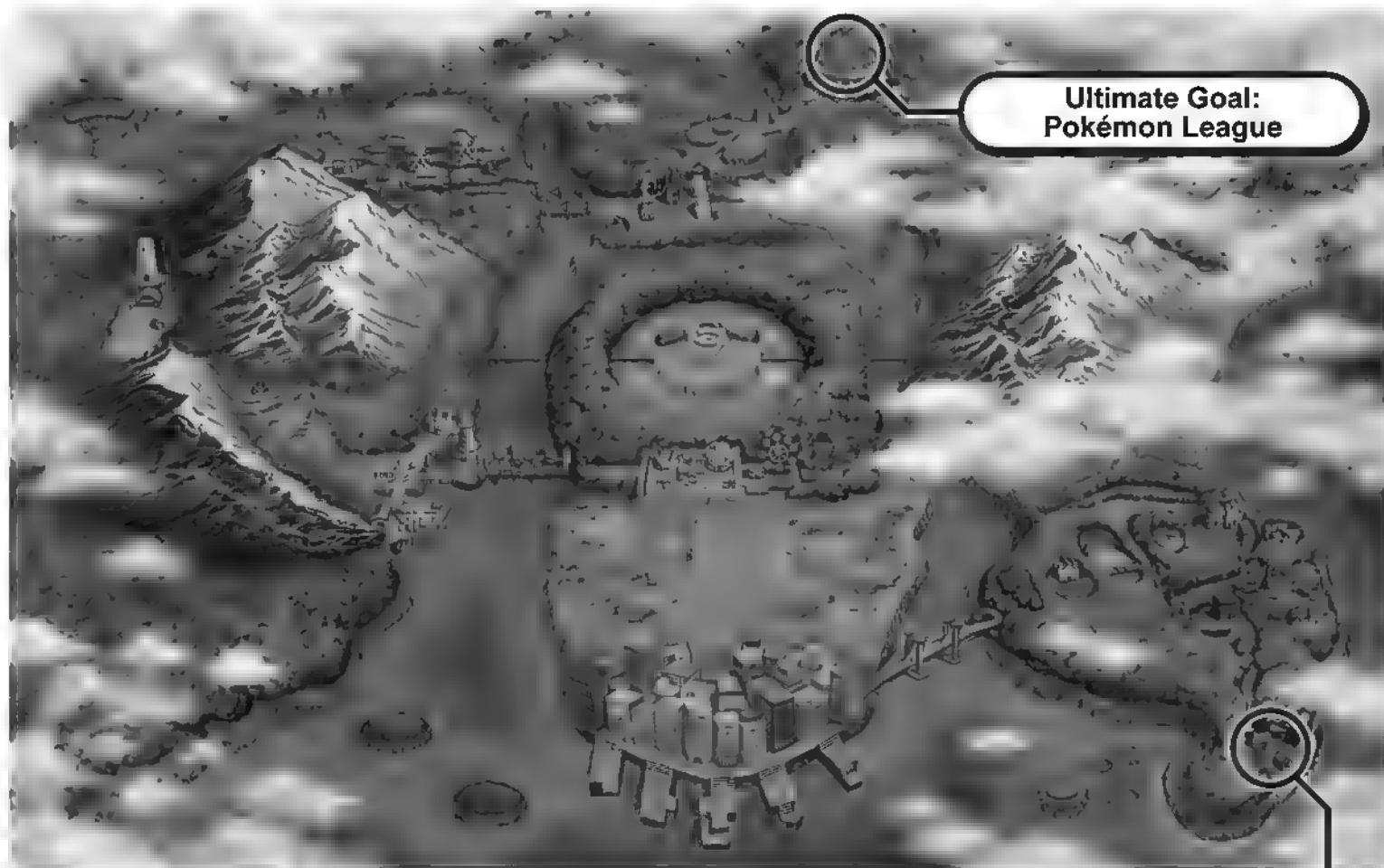
fwap

fwap

fwap



ADVENTURE MAP



Level 8

Tepig

Tepig ♂

Fire Pig Pokémon



BLACK

Current Location: Nuvema Town



Level 30

Musha

Munna ♂

Dream Eater
Pokémon



NO DATE

NO DATE

NO DATE



Level 54

Brav

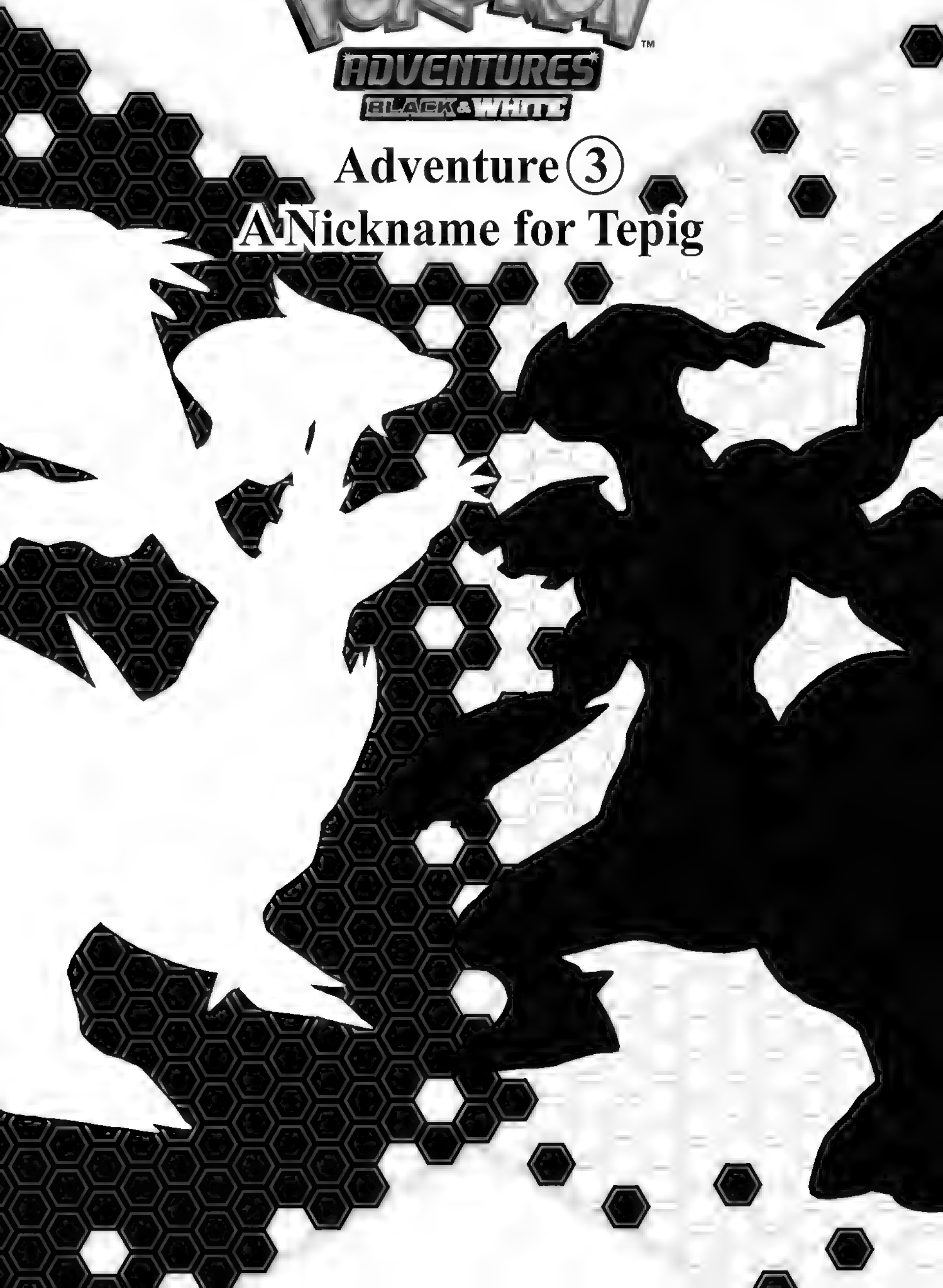
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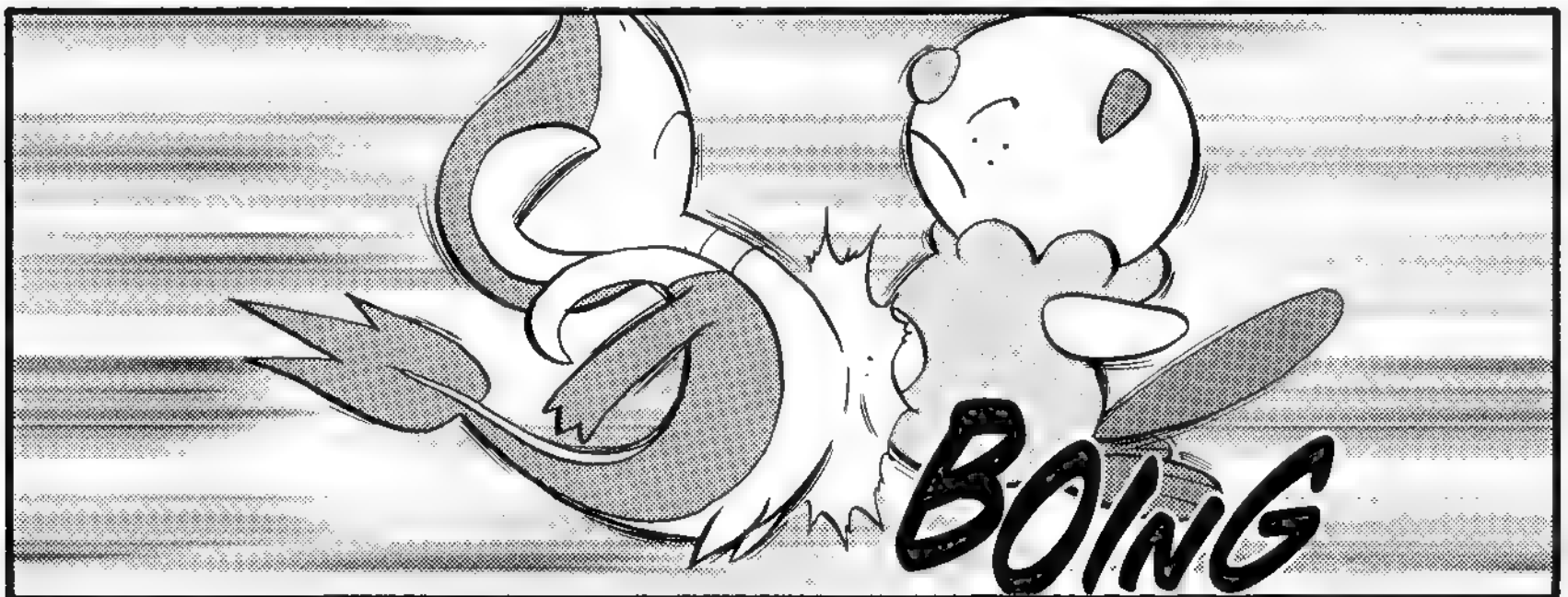
Valiant Pokémon

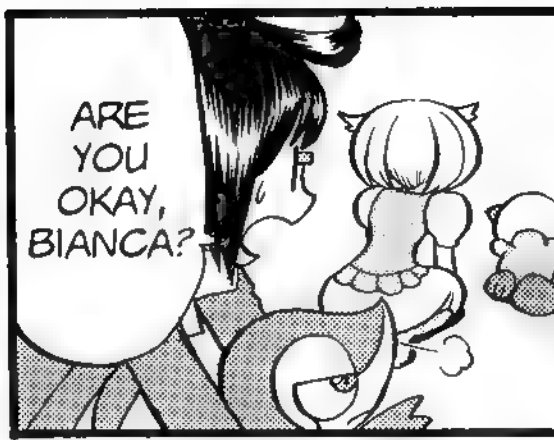


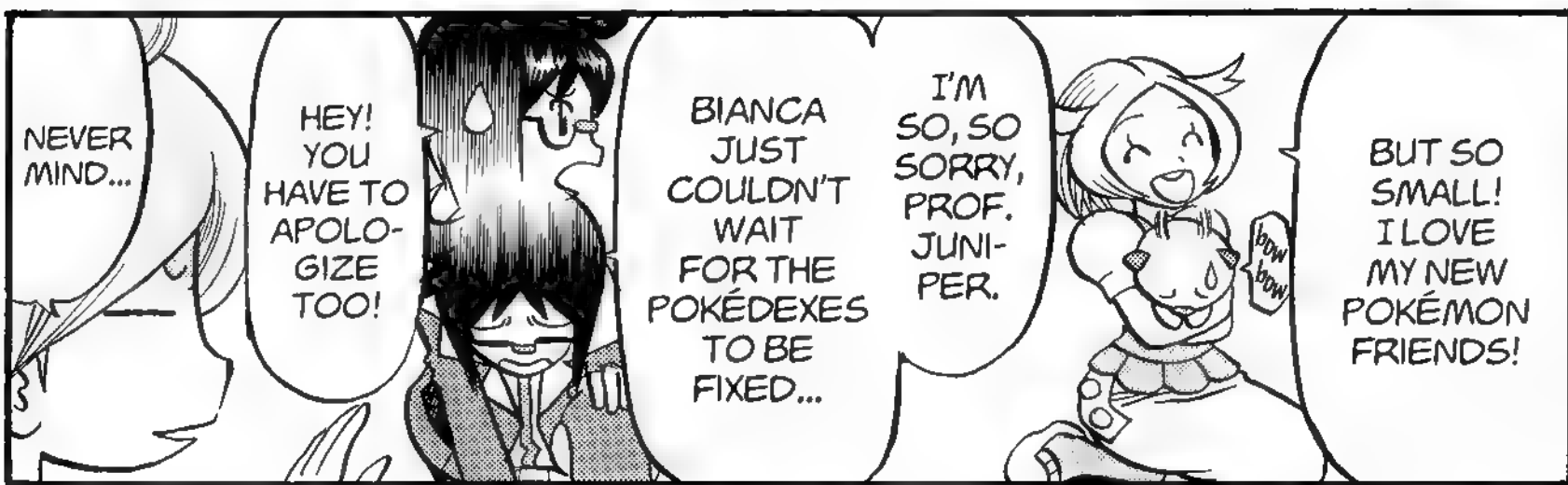
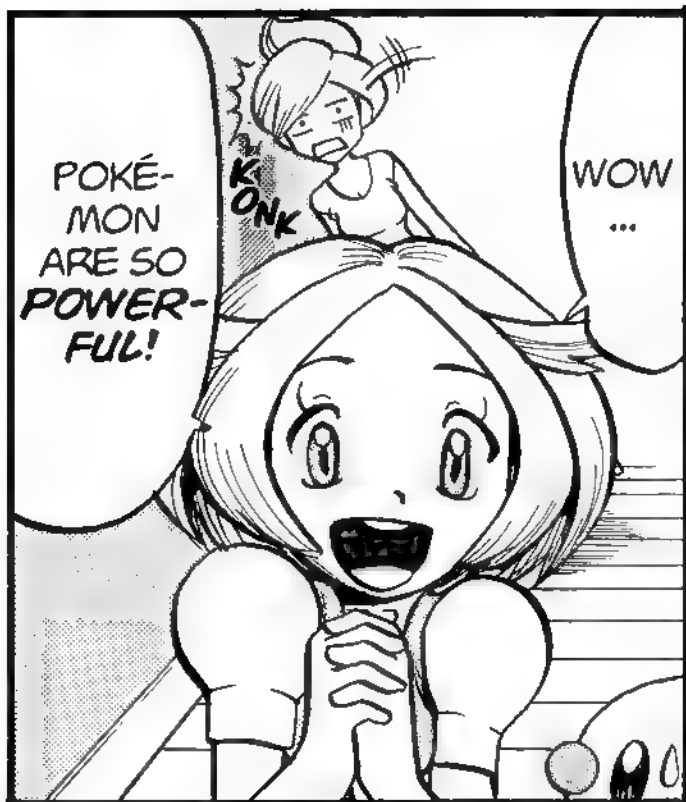
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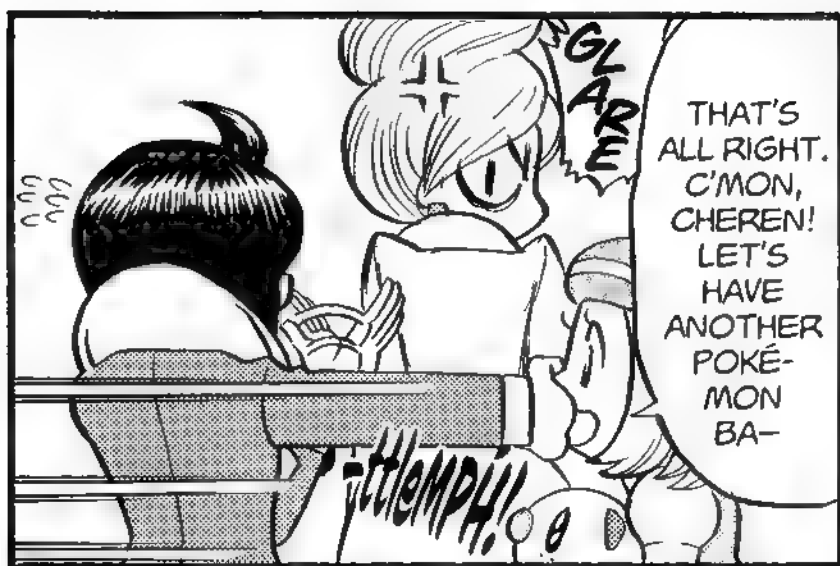
Adventure ③
A Nickname for Tepig













MAR-
SHAL
...

CAIT-
LIN...

GRIM-
SLEY...

WATCH
OUT...

...ELITE
FOUR-
SHAUN-
TAL...

YOU TOO,
ALDER-
REIGNING
CHAMPION.



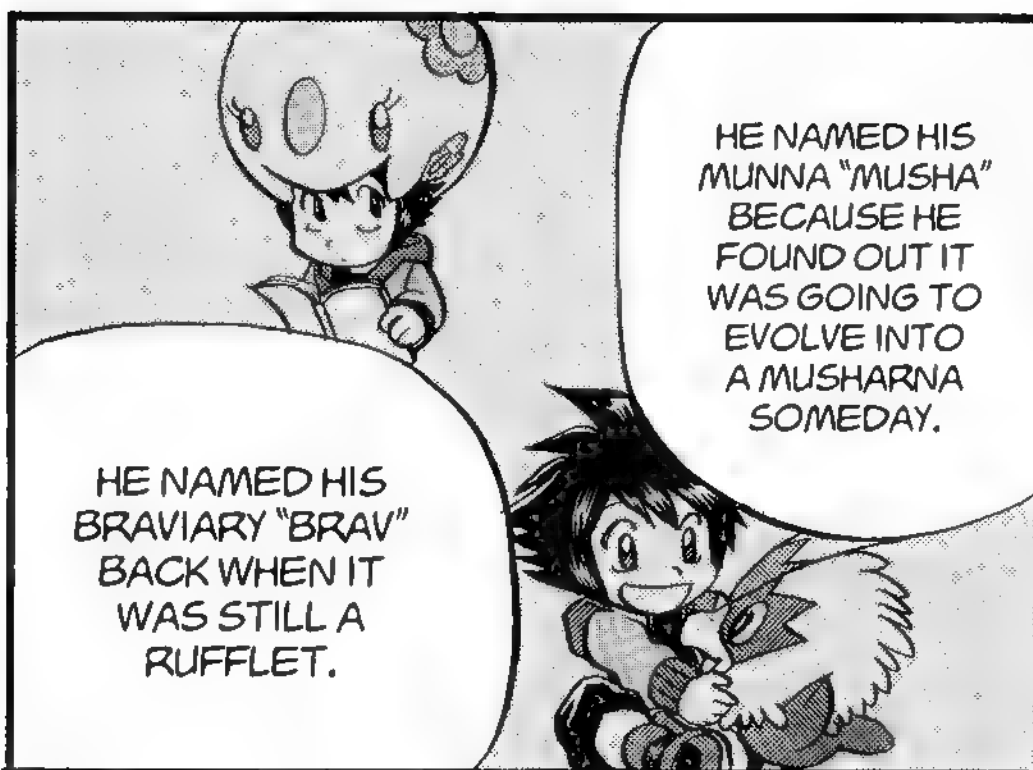
HMM...
THE
EVOLVED
FORM OF
TEPIG ISN'T
IN THIS
BOOK
EITHER.

MOV-
ING
ON...

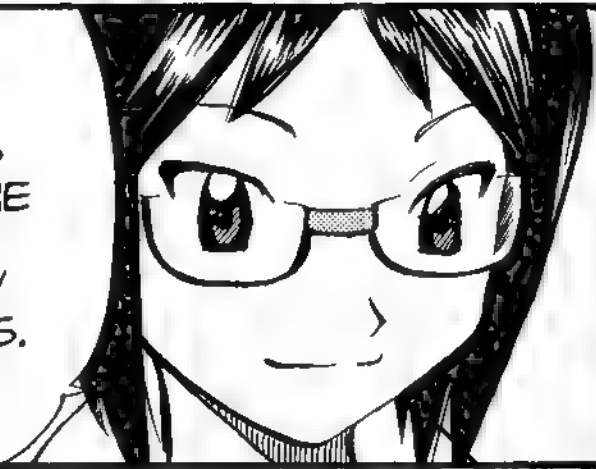
AHAHAHA!
I KNOW
I'M IN A
LIBRARY,
BUT I JUST
CAN'T HELP
MYSELF...



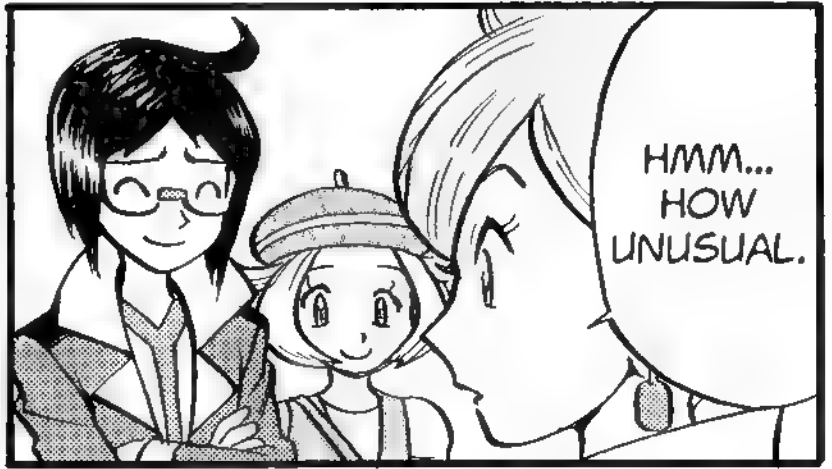
SHUSSSH!!!



THAT'S
JUST THE
KIND
OF BOY
BLACK IS.



HMM...
HOW
UNUSUAL.

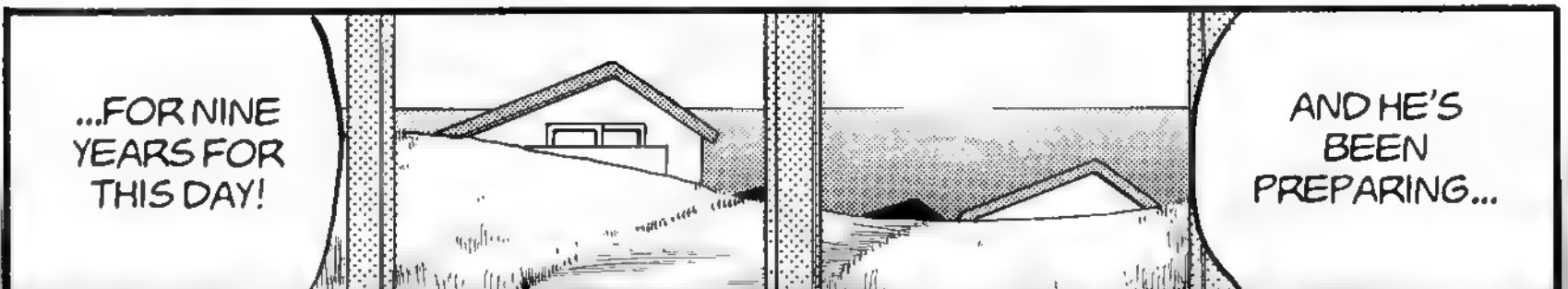


...TO
PREPARE
TO
FOLLOW
HIS
DREAM.



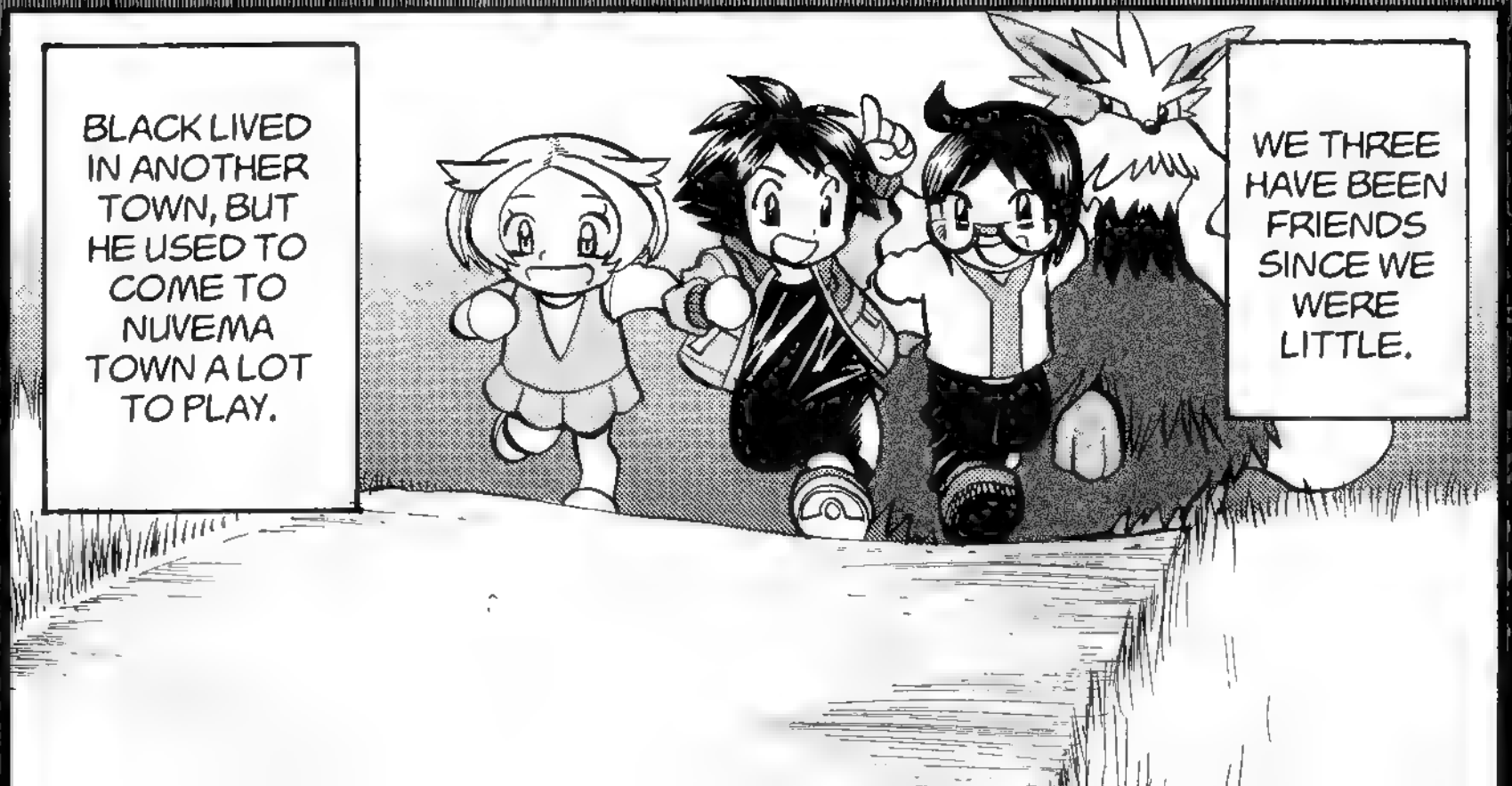
HE'S
ALWAYS
DOING
RESEARCH...

...FOR NINE
YEARS FOR
THIS DAY!



AND HE'S
BEEN
PREPARING...

BLACK LIVED
IN ANOTHER
TOWN, BUT
HE USED TO
COME TO
NUVEMA
TOWN A LOT
TO PLAY.

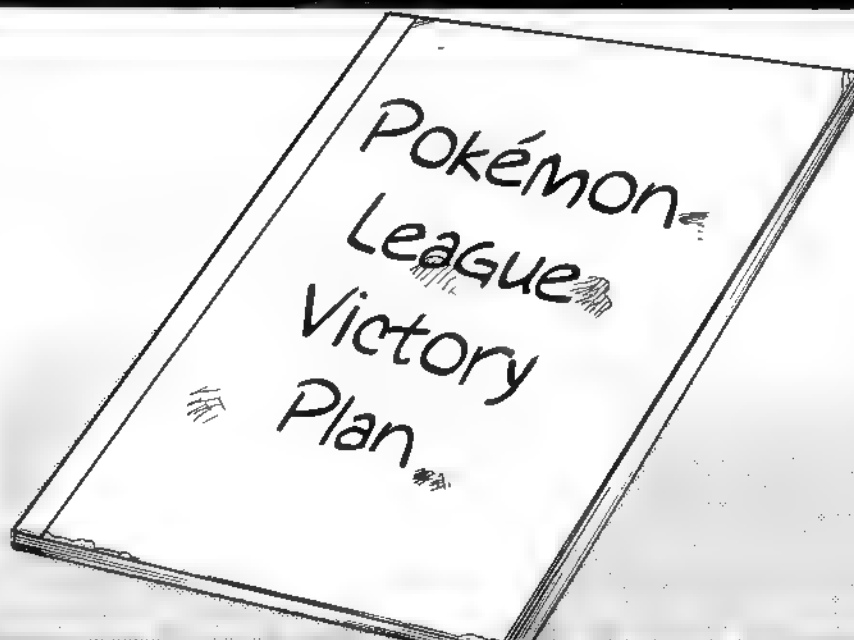


WE THREE
HAVE BEEN
FRIENDS
SINCE WE
WERE
LITTLE.





...AND
DREW UP A
STRATEGY
FOR
SUCCESS!



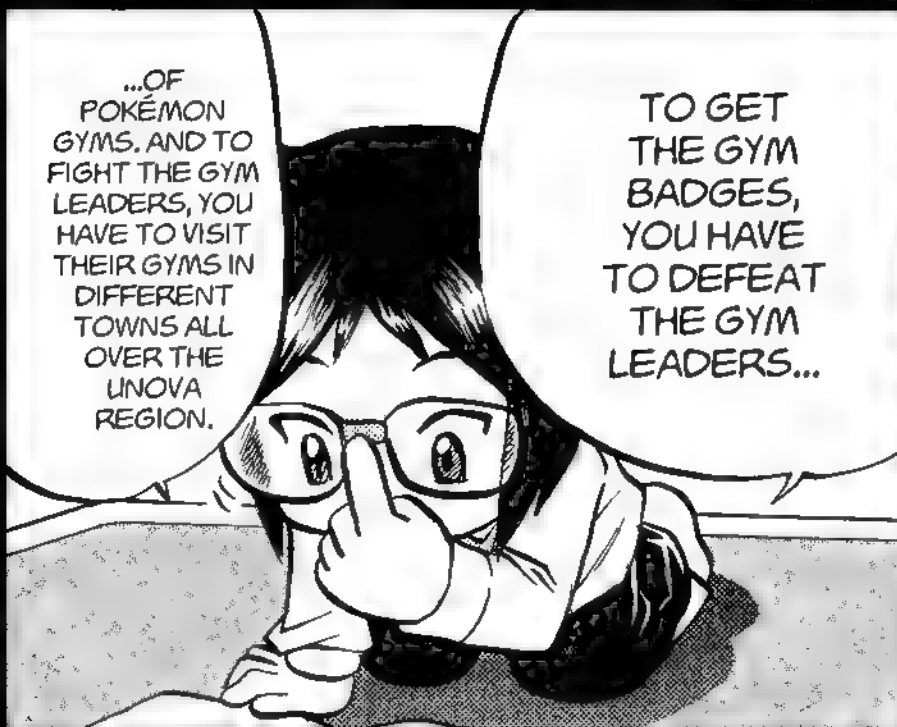
CHECK
THIS
OUT...



CHEREN!
BIANCA!
I'VE GOT
IT!!

...OF
POKÉMON
GYMS. AND TO
FIGHT THE GYM
LEADERS, YOU
HAVE TO VISIT
THEIR GYMS IN
DIFFERENT
TOWNS ALL
OVER THE
UNOVA
REGION.

TO GET
THE GYM
BADGES,
YOU HAVE
TO DEFEAT
THE GYM
LEADERS...



YOU HAVE TO
DEFEAT THE
ELITE FOUR
AND THE
REIGNING
CHAMPION
AT THE
POKÉMON
LEAGUE.



RIGHT.
WE'LL
HAVE TO
GO ON A
**TRAINING
JOURNEY!**
YAY!

THAT
MEANS
YOU'LL
HAVE TO
TRAVEL
FAR
AWAY...



BUT FIRST,
TO QUALIFY TO
CHALLENGE
THOSE FIVE, YOU
HAFTA COLLECT
ALL EIGHT GYM
BADGES.

I'VE
GOTTA
FIGURE OUT
A WAY TO
CONVINCE
THEM...

BUT IF I
DON'T GO ON
A JOURNEY
I CAN'T VISIT THE
POKÉMON GYMS,
AND IF I DON'T
VISIT THE
POKÉMON GYMS,
I CAN'T ENTER
THE POKÉMON
LEAGUE!

THAT
COULD BE A
PROBLEM.
PLUS, I'VE
GOT KINDER-
GARTEN...

BUT...
WILL YOUR
MOM AND
DAD LET YOU
TRAVEL ALL
BY YOURSELF,
BLACK?

HMM
...

YOU'RE RIGHT!
HE'S A SUPER
FAMOUS
POKÉMON
RESEARCHER.

OH,
LOOK!

OUR
NEIGH-
BOR'S
ON TV!

I have a
better
idea!
Blah,
blah...

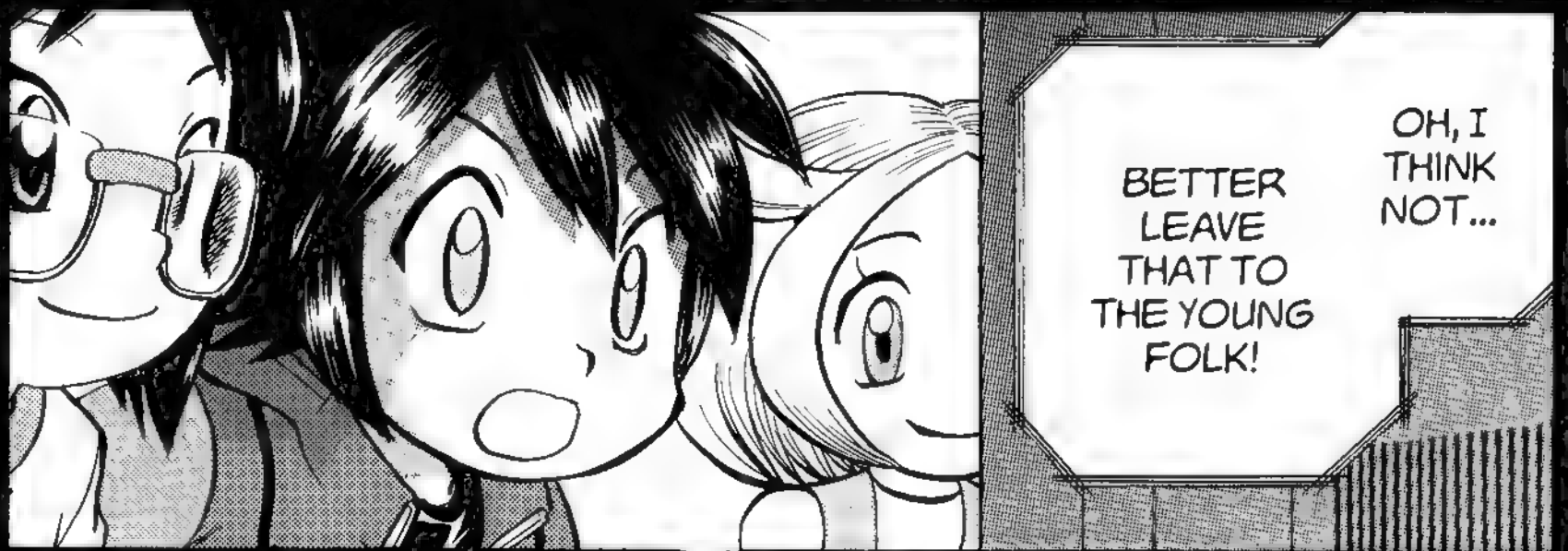
How
about
this?
Blah,
blah...

YES.
I'M REALLY
LOOKING
FORWARD
TO IT.

REALLY?
A NEW
POKÉDEX
IS UNDER
DEVELOPMENT,
PROF.
JUNIPER?

I SEE.
DOES THIS
MEAN YOU'LL
BE GOING ON
A JOURNEY
TO COLLECT
DATA?

I'M TOLD IT'S
A HIGH-TECH
INSTRUMENT
THAT GATHERS
INFORMATION
ON THE
POKÉMON YOU
ENCOUNTER.



BETTER
LEAVE
THAT TO
THE YOUNG
FOLK!

OH, I
THINK
NOT...



HELPING
A FAMOUS
RESEARCH-
ER...

Sping

THIS IS
MY BIG
BREAK!

...IS THE
PERFECT
EXCUSE
FOR
GOING
ON A
TRAINING
JOURNEY.

BLACK!
I CAN'T
SEE!



HEY! YOUR
HOUSE WAS
JUST ON THE
SCREEN FOR A
SECOND,
CHEREN!

BUT WE'RE
STILL TOO
YOUNG TO
GO ON A—

TAKE ME
TO HIS
HOUSE,
CHEREN!

I COULDN'T
BELIEVE HE
PULLED IT OFF!
BLACK WENT
HOME THAT
VERY DAY AND
CONVINCED HIS
PARENTS...

WHEN BLACK
SETS HIS
MIND TO
SOMETHING,
NOTHING
CAN STOP
HIM!

...TO
MOVE
TO
NUVEMA
TOWN.

poor
Black!

REALLY?!
I NEVER
NOTICED...

NEVER
MIND...

AFTER THAT,
HE TRIED
EVERYTHING
TO GET THE
PROFESSOR
TO NOTICE
HIM...

HE STAGED
POKÉMON
BATTLES EVERY
DAY IN FRONT
OF YOUR
HOUSE, PROF.
JUNIPER.



YOU'RE
RIGHT.

BUT IF
WE WAIT
TILL
AFTER
YOU FIX
OUR
POKÉ-
DEXES...



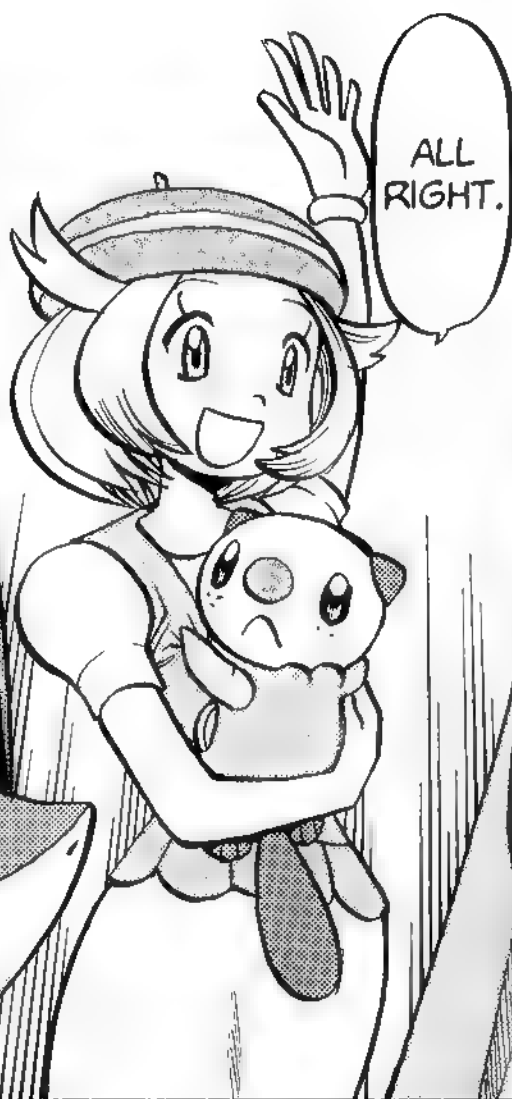
I'LL GO
AFTER
HIM AND
GIVE
HIM
THE MES-
SAGE.



ANYHOW, I HAVE TO
GET IN TOUCH WITH
BLACK TO TELL HIM
HE HAS OUR ONLY
WORKING POKÉDEX.
HE NEEDS TO TAKE
EXTRA GOOD CARE
OF IT!



SURE!



ALL
RIGHT.



IT
WOULD
BE
BEST
IF YOU
FOUND
BLACK
RIGHT
AWAY.

WOULD
YOU DO
THAT
FOR
ME?



UH-
OH!



BIA-
A-
AN-
CA-
A!



HE'S
PROB-
ABLY
HEAD-
ING
FOR-

BLACK
WOULD BE
FOLLOWING
A ROUTE TO
A POKÉMON
GYM...

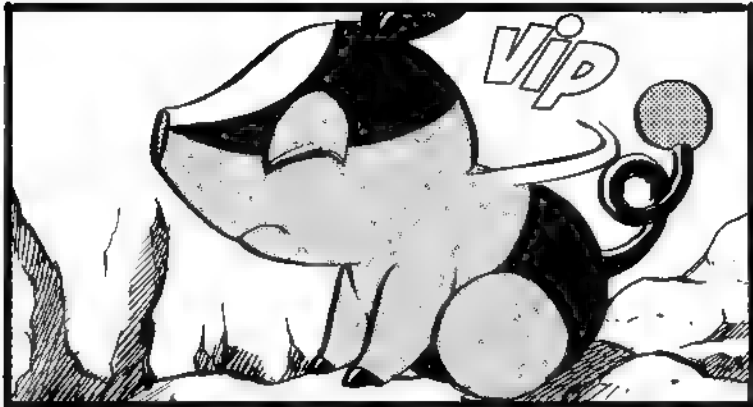


IN
HERE
...?



HEY!
TE-E-
EPI-I-IG!

MEAN-
WHILE,
BLACK...



VIP



...BECAUSE
I WANT TO
GIVE IT A
NAME TO
MATCH ITS
EVOLVED
FORM...

I WONDER
IF TEPIG
THINKS
I DON'T LIKE
IT THE WAY
IT IS...

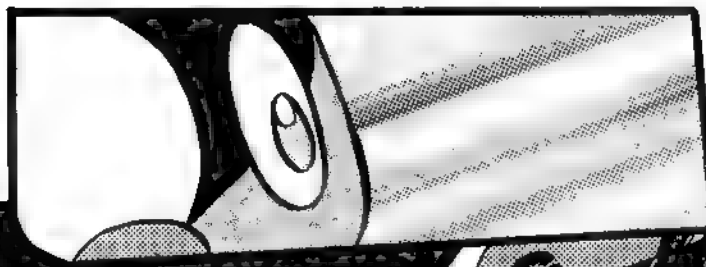


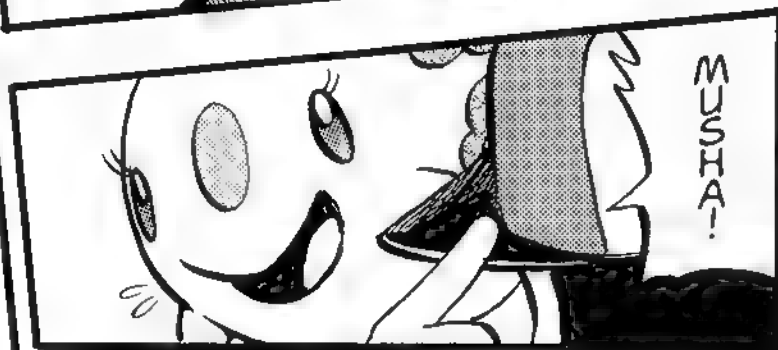
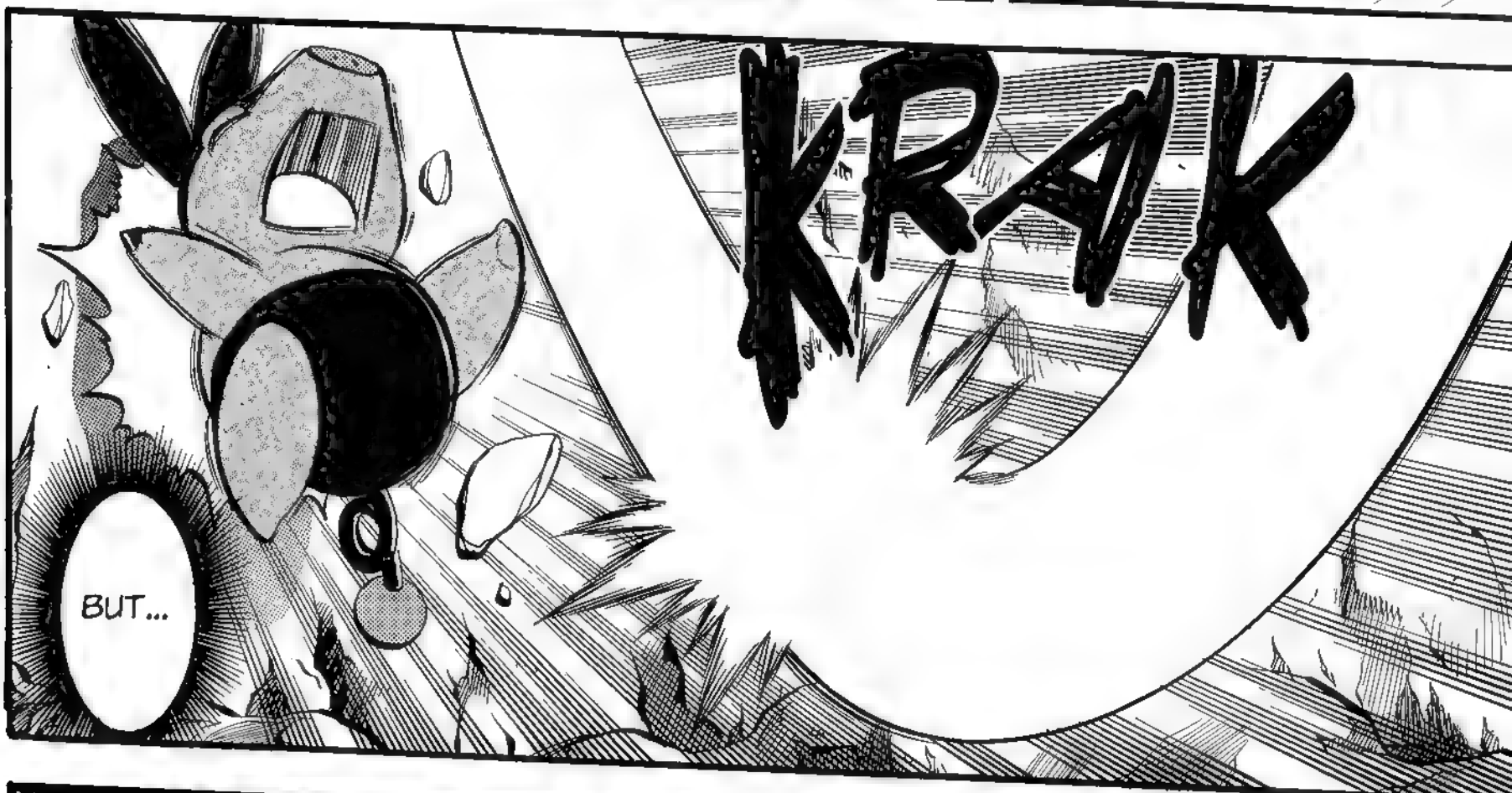
THERE
YOU
ARE!

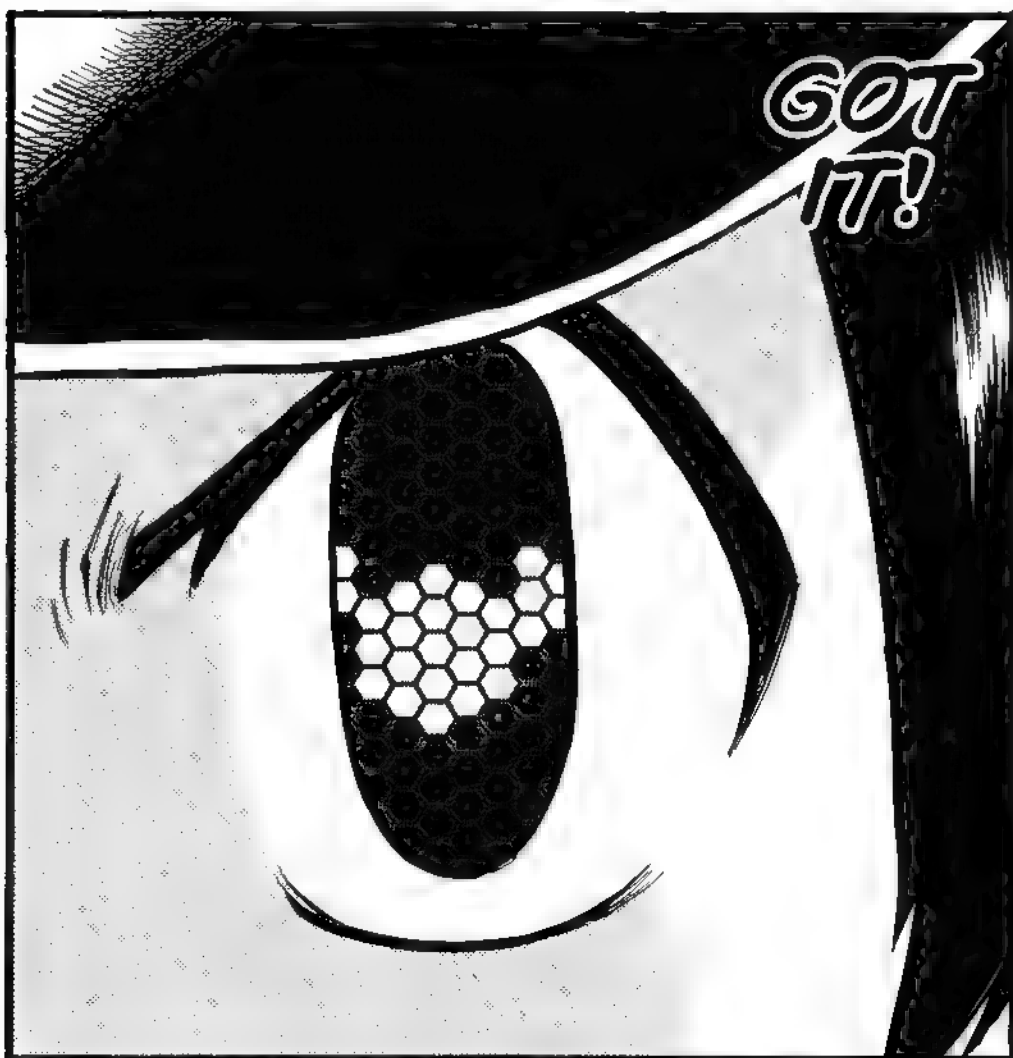
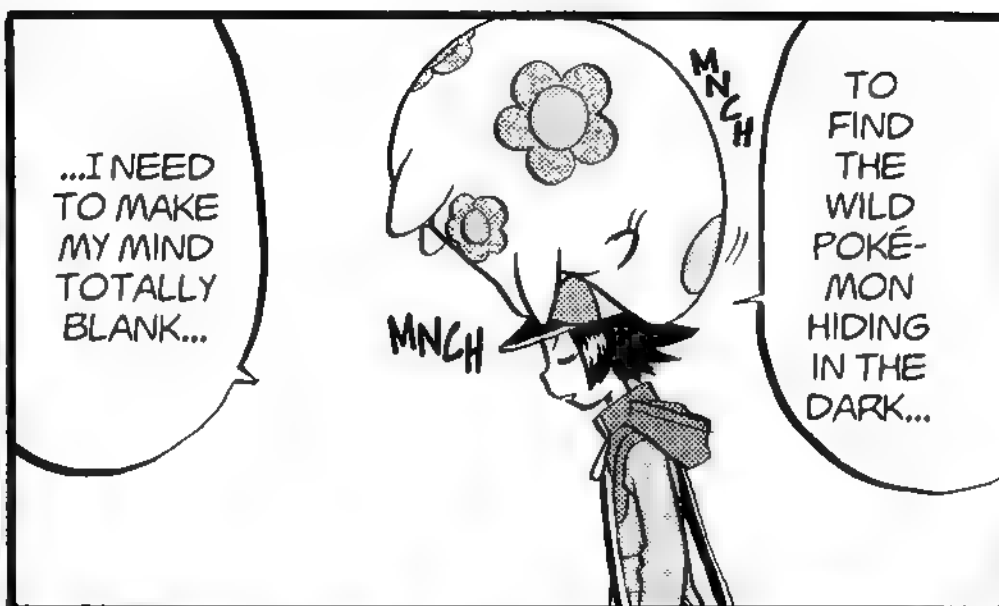
COME
OUT!

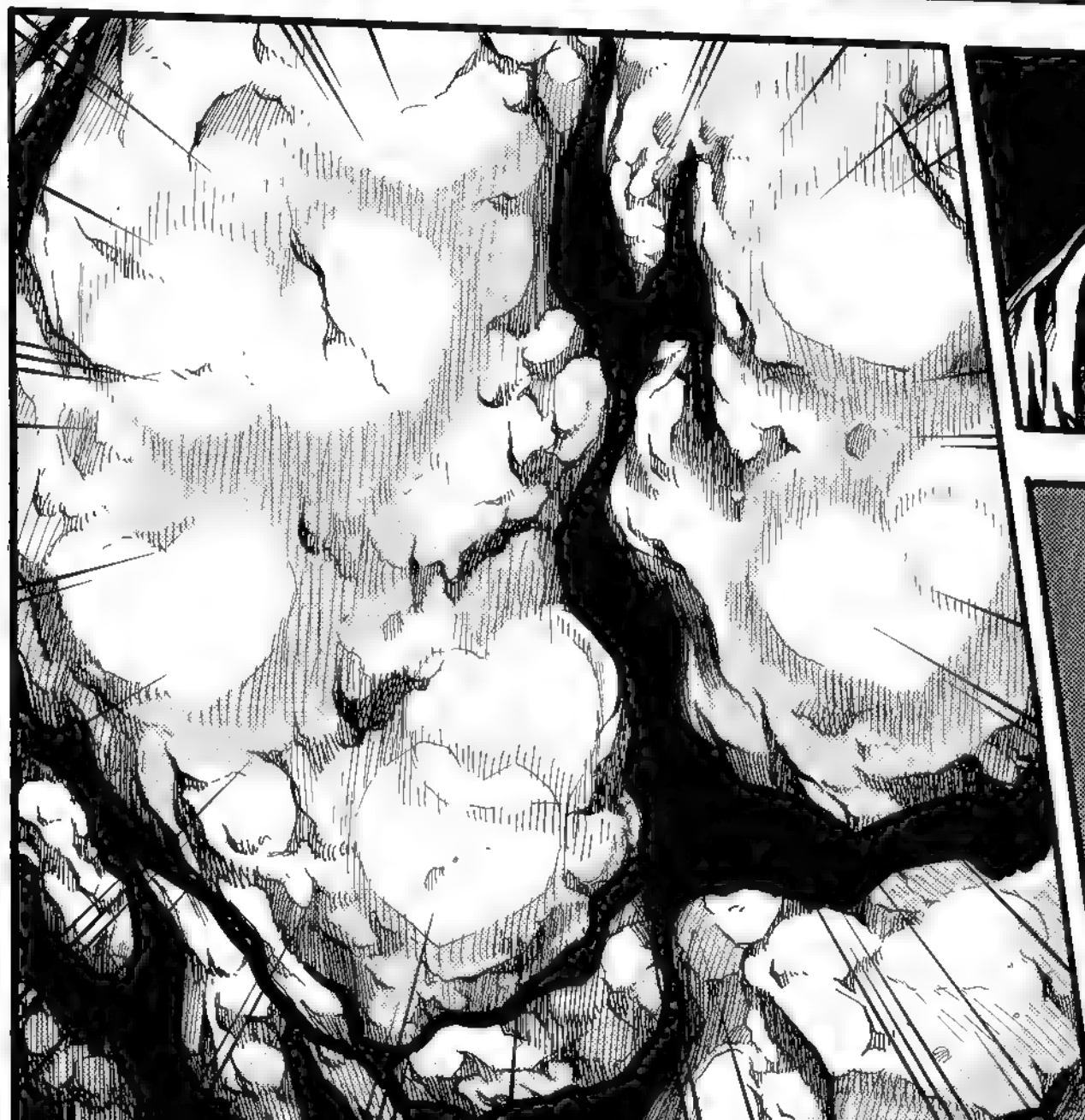


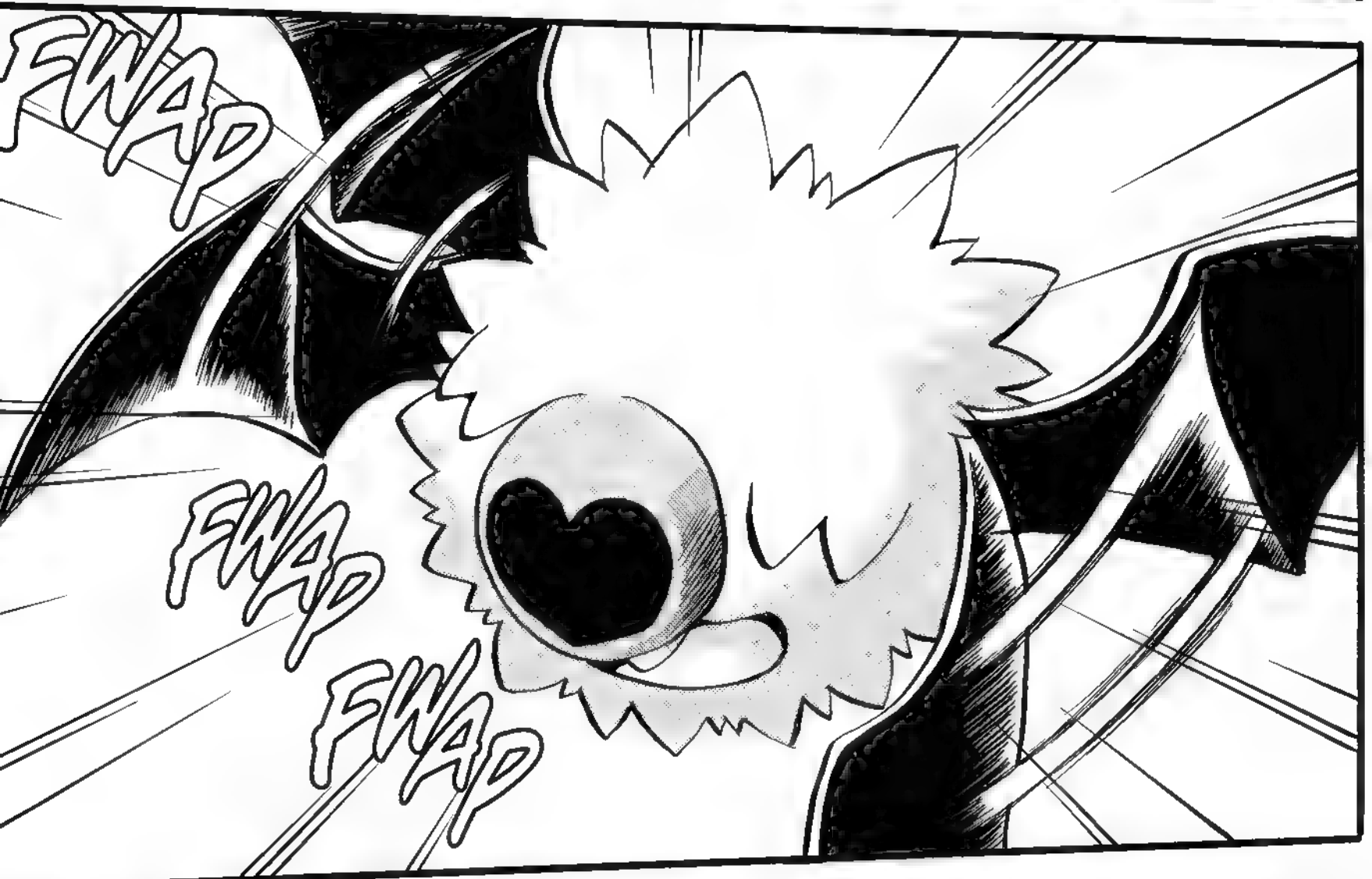
YOU
SURE LIKE
TO SULK!











IT'S A
WOOBAT.
A PSYCHIC-
AND-
FLYING-
TYPE
POKÉ-
MON.

GOOD
JOB!
YOU
CAUGHT
THE CLUE
I GAVE
YOU,
TEPIG.

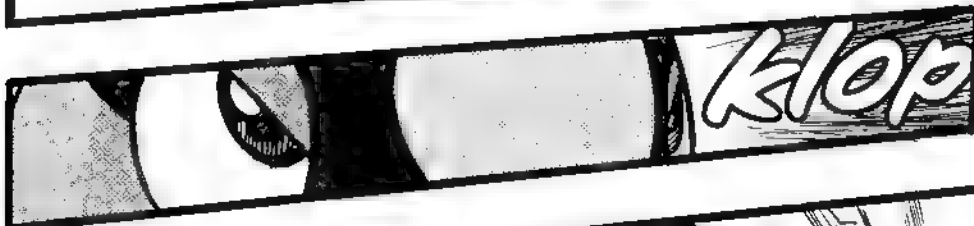




A WOOBAT
CAN'T FLY
PROPERLY
WHEN ITS
NOSE IS
PLUGGED.

GREAT
MOVE!

SHNK



klop



Ta!



GLORP



YOU CAN'T
STAND
LOSING,
CAN YOU?
YOU SURE
HAVE A
STRONG
FIGHTING
INSTINCT!

TEPIG
LOOKS
SO
PROUD!



Grin



SO I'LL...

ALL RIGHT, YOU
CONVINCED ME.
YOU'RE TOUGH
ENOUGH
ALREADY.



...TEP."

...NICKNAME
YOU...



YOU'RE
GONNA
GET **EVEN**
STRONGER
WHEN YOU
EVOLVE.

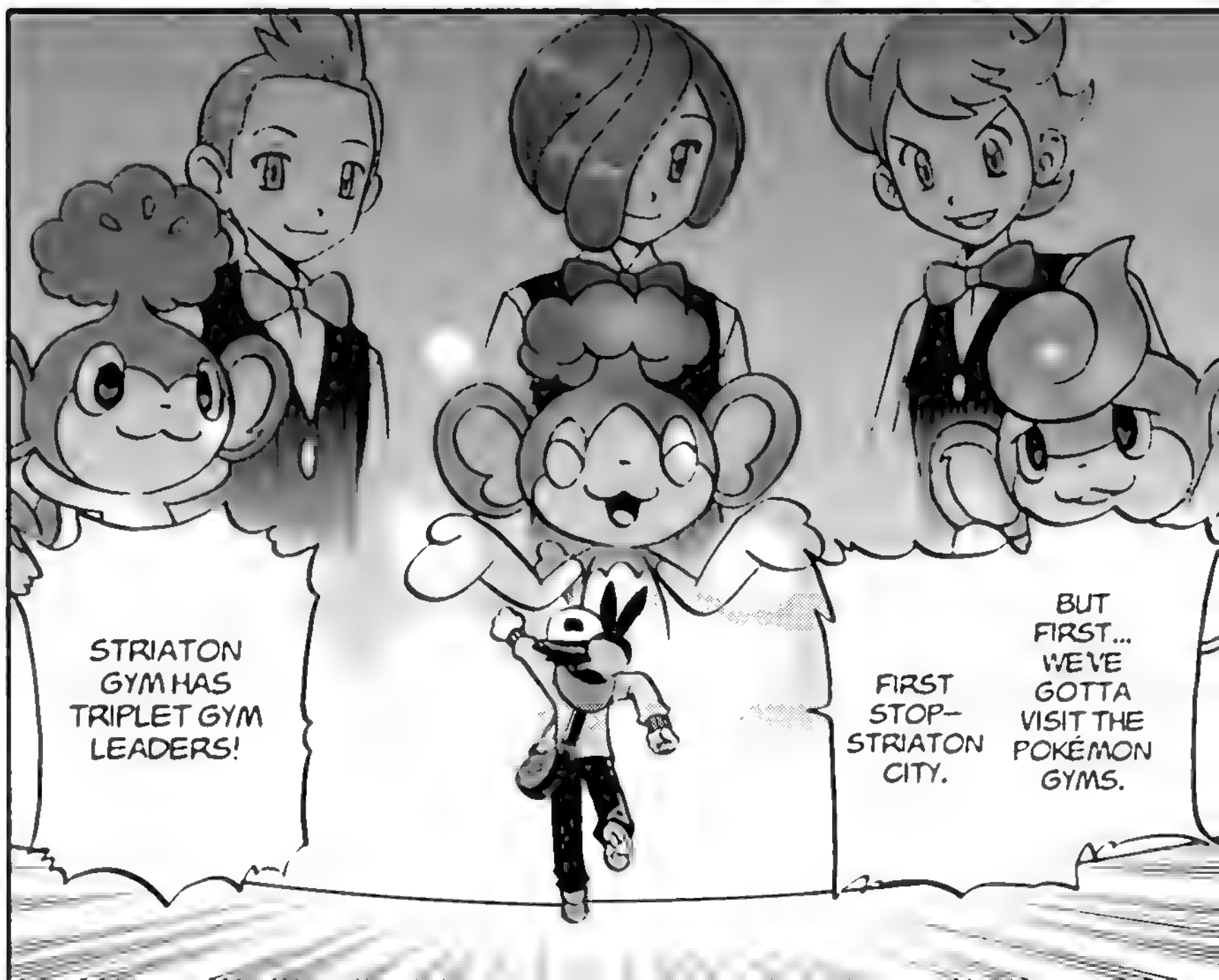
I HAVEN'T THE
FOGGIEST WHAT
YOU'RE GONNA
EVOLVE INTO, BUT
AFTER WATCHING
THAT FIGHT, I CAN'T
WAIT TO SEE IT!



I WANT
YOU BY MY
SIDE WHILE
I FOLLOW
THAT
DREAM...

...TEP!

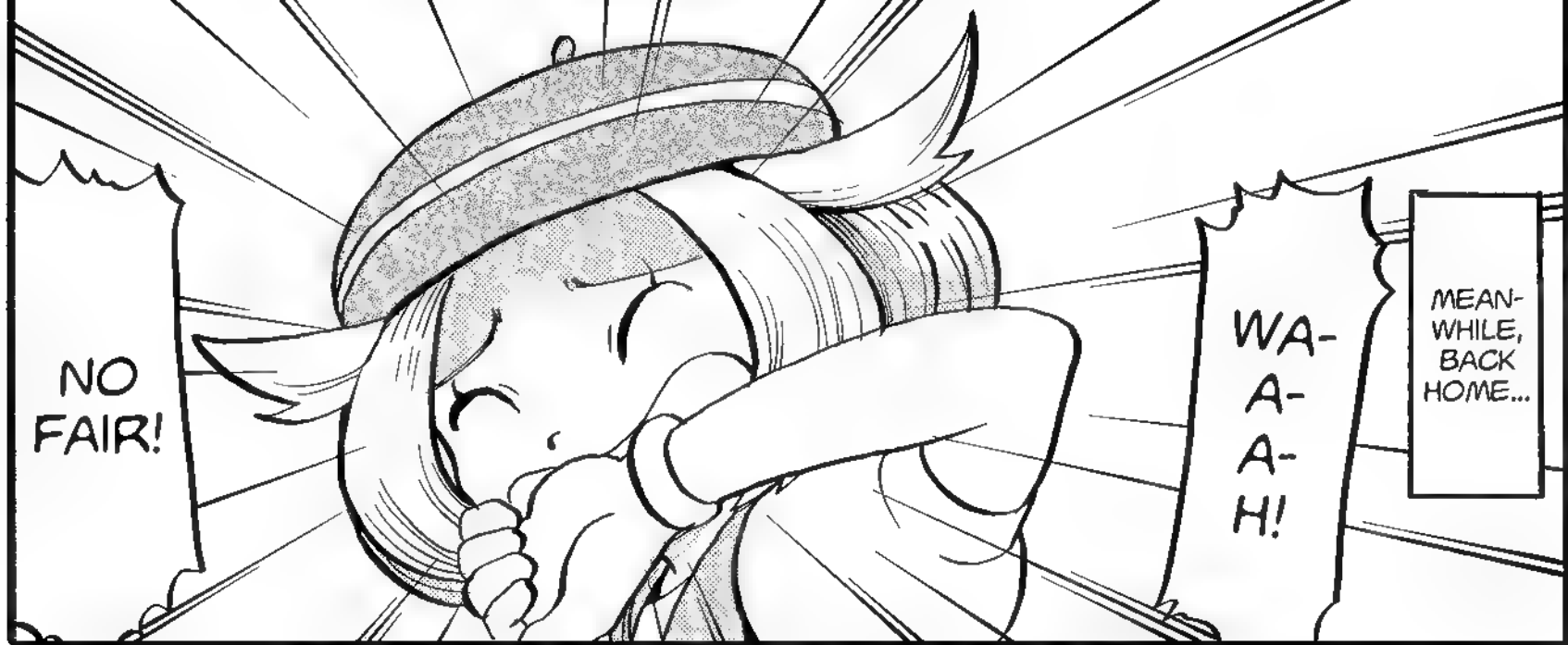
I CAN
FEEL IT
IN MY
BONES!
WE'RE
ONE STEP
CLOSER
TO
WINNING
THE
POKÉMON
LEAGUE!



STRIATON
GYM HAS
TRIPLET GYM
LEADERS!

FIRST
STOP—
STRIATON
CITY.

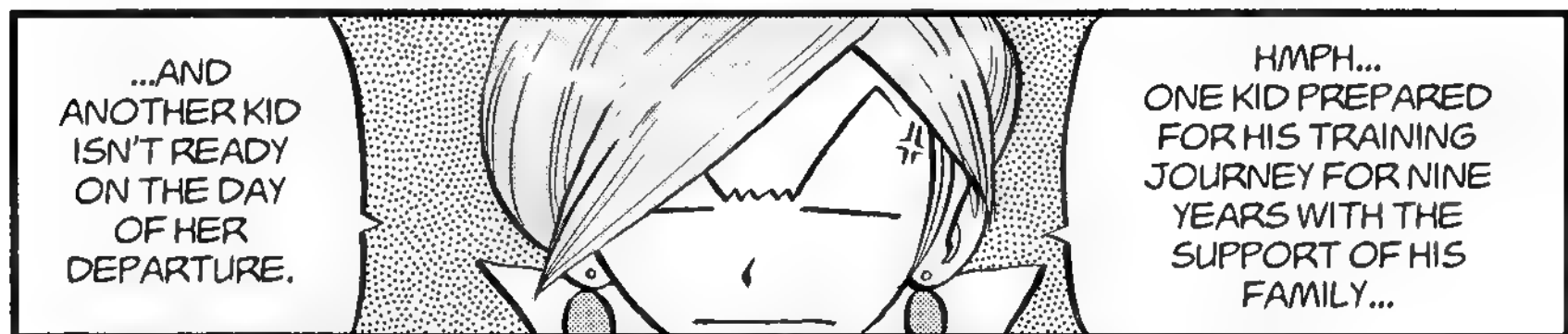
BUT
FIRST...
WE'VE
GOTTA
VISIT THE
POKÉMON
GYMS.



NO
FAIR!

WA-
A-
A-
H!

MEAN-
WHILE,
BACK
HOME...



...AND
ANOTHER KID
ISN'T READY
ON THE DAY
OF HER
DEPARTURE.

HMPH...
ONE KID PREPARED
FOR HIS TRAINING
JOURNEY FOR NINE
YEARS WITH THE
SUPPORT OF HIS
FAMILY...



LEGGO
OF ME!
I WANNA
GO-O-O!

IT'S A
DANGEROUS
WORLD OUT
THERE!
YOU'RE
MUCH TOO
IMMATURE
TO HANDLE
IT!!

I WON'T
ALLOW IT!
YOU'RE
NOT
GOING ON
A TRAINING
JOURNEY
TO
GATHER
POKÉMON
DATA!

HOW
LONG
TILL WE
LEAVE?

NO
IDEA.

I SAID
NO!
AND I
MEAN
NO!

ADVENTURE MAP



Ultimate Goal:
Pokémon League



Level 15

Tep

Tepig ♂

Fire Pig Pokémon



BLACK

Current Location: Route 1



Level 31

Musha

Munna ♂

Dream Eater
Pokémon



Level 54

Brav

Braviary ♂

Valiant Pokémon

NO DATE

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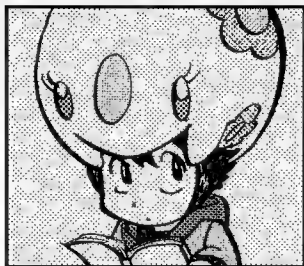
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What is Munna?



MUNNA IS A DREAM EATER POKÉMON. AS YOU MIGHT SUSPECT FROM ITS CATEGORY NAME, IT EATS THE DREAMS OF PEOPLE AND POKÉMON. BLACK'S DEDUCTION SKILLS DEPEND ON MUNNA EATING UP HIS DREAM. SINCE HIS DREAM ALWAYS IMMEDIATELY RE-ENTERS HIS HEAD, BLACK DOESN'T MIND.



▲ THIS MUSHA HAS KNOWN BLACK SINCE HE WAS A SMALL CHILD. MUSHAS ARE DRAWN TO PEOPLE WITH BIG DREAMS.

By the way...



WHAT HAPPENS WHEN BLACK TRIES TO THINK HARD WITHOUT FIRST GETTING MUSHAS TO EAT HIS DREAM...?

BLACK'S HEAD CAN'T HANDLE ALL THOSE THOUGHTS AND HIS BRAIN SHORT-CIRCUITS!

How awful!!



BLACK'S HEAD IS FILLED WITH HIS DREAM OF WINNING THE POKÉMON LEAGUE. THAT'S ALL HE THINKS ABOUT, SO HE DOESN'T HAVE ANY ROOM LEFT OVER FOR OTHER THINGS...

1

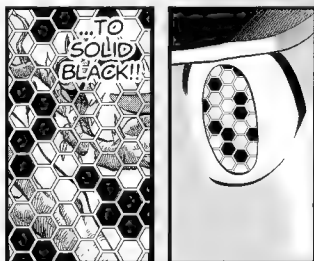
BLACK'S HEAD IS FILLED WITH HIS DREAM SO HE CAN'T THINK ABOUT ANYTHING ELSE.



BLACK EMPTIES HIS MIND BY HAVING MUSHAS EAT HIS DREAM. ONCE HIS MIND IS EMPTY AND WIPED CLEAN, HE CAN START TO THINK DEDUCTIVELY AND INDUCTIVELY.

2

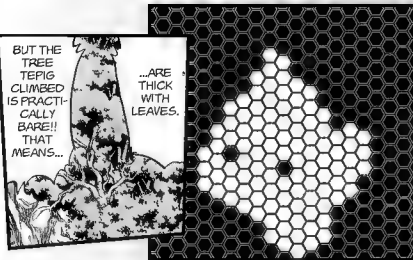
MUSHA EATS HIS DREAM.



BLACK'S CLEARED MIND GRADUALLY REFILLS WITH THE DATA HE HAS GATHERED. THEN HE SHINES THE LIGHT OF REASON ON THESE FACTS... AND REVEALS HIDDEN TRUTHS!

3

NOW BLACK'S HEAD IS COMPLETELY EMPTY, SO HE'S ABLE TO TAKE IN THE DATA BEFORE HIM WITH AN OPEN MIND.



BLACK IS BOTH EMOTIONAL AND RATIONAL!

4

WHITE NOISE FADES TO BLACK... DEDUCTION COMPLETE!

BLACK CLEARS HIS MIND, FORMING A BLACK-AND-WHITE LANDSCAPE IN WHICH AN ANSWER MAY APPEAR. HE IS PASSIONATE ABOUT PURSUING HIS DREAM—BUT HE IS ALSO CAPABLE OF INTELLIGENT THOUGHT.



BLACK'S DEDUCTIONS ARE A UNIQUE FEATURE OF THIS STORY. BUT HE CAN ONLY USE HIS DEDUCTION SKILLS AFTER MUSHAS EAT HIS DREAMS. LET'S EXAMINE THIS PROCESS FROM START TO FINISH...

BLACK'S DEDUCTIONS ALWAYS BEGIN WITH AN UNUSUAL SCENE. LET'S EXAMINE THE MECHANISM BEHIND IT!

The Secret of Black's Deduction Skills...

People's Ideals!



...LIBERATE YOUR POKÉMON!!



Liberation?

Or Coexistence?

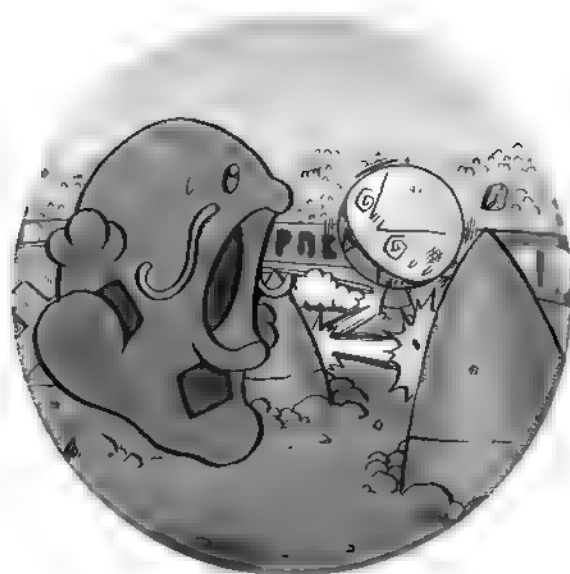


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ADVENTURES
BLACK & WHITE

Vol. 2

Pokémon's Truth!

Coming Next Issue...



Message from Hidenori Kusaka

Pokémon Black and White is one of the few completely new Pokémon games to come out in quite some time. Since all the Pokémon have acquired new attributes, working on this story is rejuvenating for me as well! I'm so happy that this new chapter, the story of the Unova region, is coming to English-speaking readers. Let the adventure of our new heroes, Black and White, begin! Join them as they take off on their journey...!

Message from Satoshi Yamamoto

"I want to win the Pokémon League!" That's what one hero of this manga declares. I've only created quirky characters in the past, so drawing a straightforward one like Black is refreshing. Since this is *Pokémon Adventures*, it's not surprising that he's a real fireball, is it? And come to think of it, I guess he does throw a few curve balls too... (LOL)

POKÉMON

ADVENTURES

BLACK & WHITE

Adventure ④

Black's First Trainer Battle





TEP!
LISTEN
UP!



WE HAVE
TO LEARN
TO WORK
TOGETHER...
TO COMBINE
OUR BATTLE
SKILLS IN NEW
WAYS.

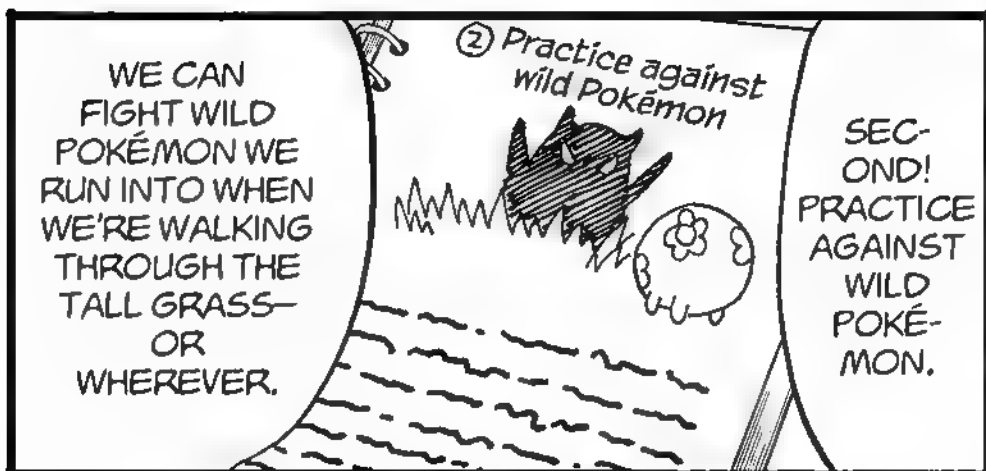
YOU'RE
THE THIRD
POKÉMON
ON MY
TEAM.



WE
CAN
FIGHT
EACH
OTHER.

■ Battle Practice
① Practice on your own

FIRST!
PRAC-
TICE ON
YOUR
OWN!



WE CAN
FIGHT WILD
POKÉMON WE
RUN INTO WHEN
WE'RE WALKING
THROUGH THE
TALL GRASS—
OR
WHEREVER.

② Practice against
wild Pokémon

SEC-
OND!
PRAC-
TICE
AGAINST
WILD
POKÉ-
MON.



GOT
IT?

GOOD
!

THERE
ARE
THREE
WAYS
TO
TRAIN.



THAT'S
CALLED A
TRAINER
BATTLE!

IN
OTHER WORDS...
WE CAN CHALLENGE
WHOEVER WE MEET
WHO HAS POKÉMON
WE WANT TO TEST
OURSELVES AGAINST
TO A POKÉMON
BATTLE.

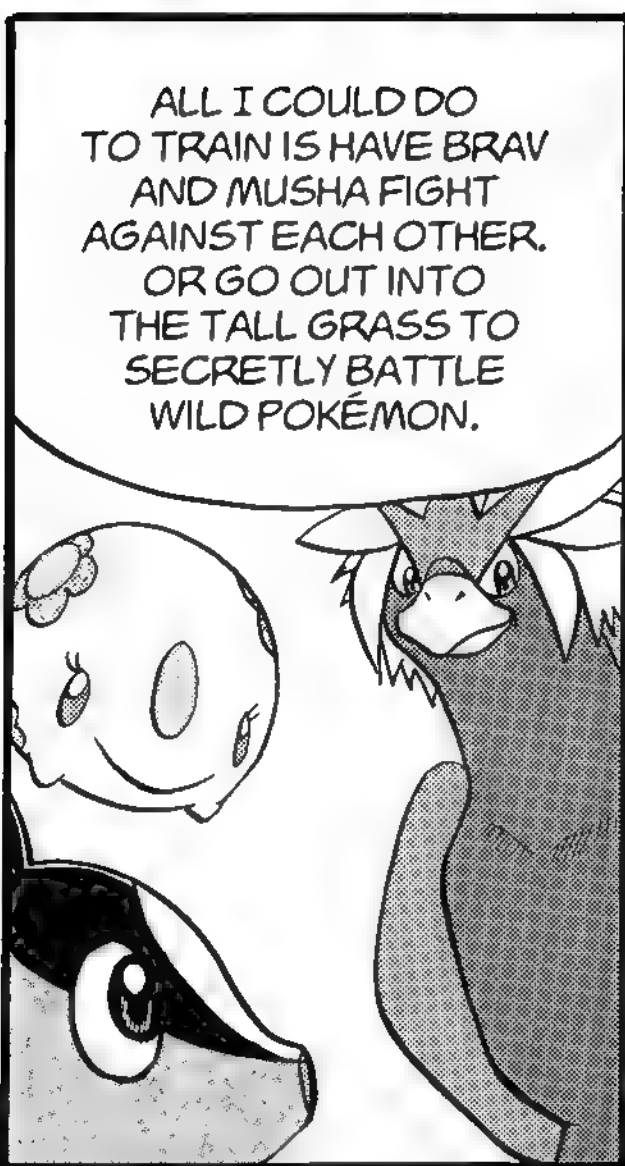
WE CAN
FIGHT
OTHER
POKÉMON
TRAINERS
THAT WE
MEET
ON OUR
JOURNEY.
AND
THIRD
...!



I'VE
NEVER
FOUGHT A
TRAINER
BATTLE
WITH
ANYONE
BEFORE.



THERE'S
ONLY ONE
PROBLEM
WITH THIS
PLAN...

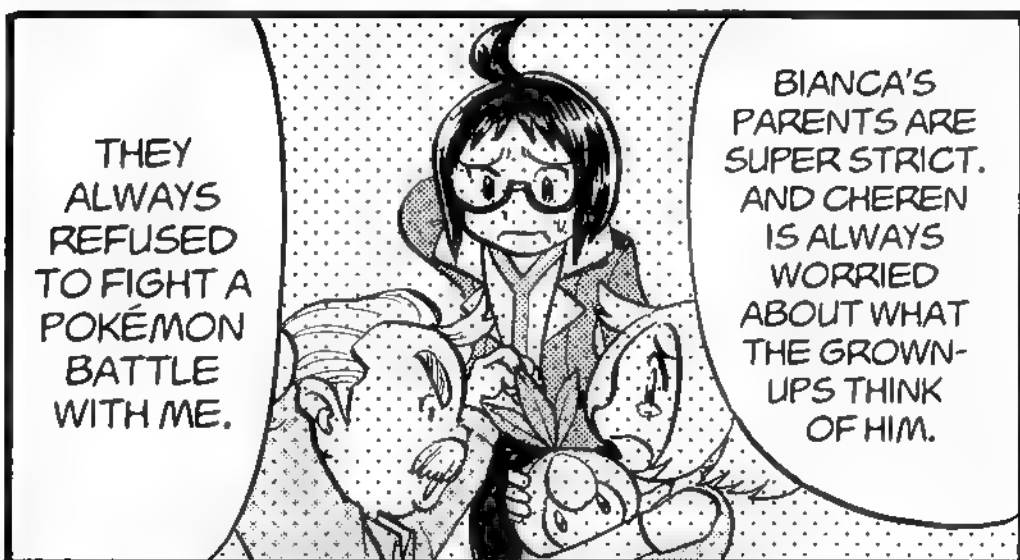


ALL I COULD DO
TO TRAIN IS HAVE BRAVE
AND MUSA FIGHT
AGAINST EACH OTHER.
OR GO OUT INTO
THE TALL GRASS TO
SECRETLY BATTLE
WILD POKÉMON.



SOME
PEOPLE
THINK
POKÉMON
BATTLES
ARE
UNCIVILIZED..

IT'S
NOT LIKE
I COULD
HAVE A FULL-
FLEDGED
BATTLE
IN THE
MIDDLE
OF MY
TOWN...



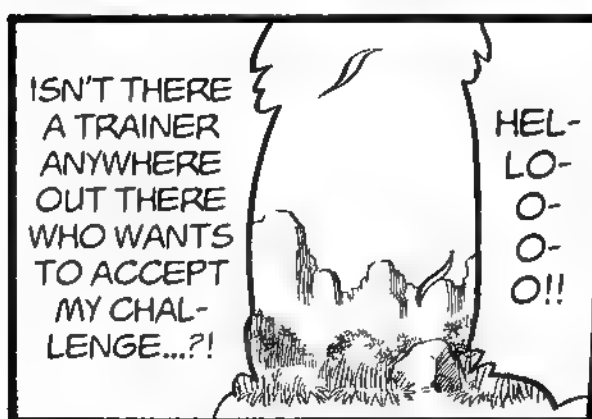
THEY
ALWAYS
REFUSED
TO FIGHT A
POKÉMON
BATTLE
WITH ME.

BIANCA'S
PARENTS ARE
SUPER STRICT.
AND CHEREN
IS ALWAYS
WORRIED
ABOUT WHAT
THE GROWN-
UPS THINK
OF HIM.



...I BET I'LL
MEET LOTS
OF TRAINERS
LIKE ME WHO
WANT TO
IMPROVE THEIR
TECHNIQUE!!

BUT
NOW
THAT I'VE
STARTED
ON MY
TRAINING
JOUR-
NEY...

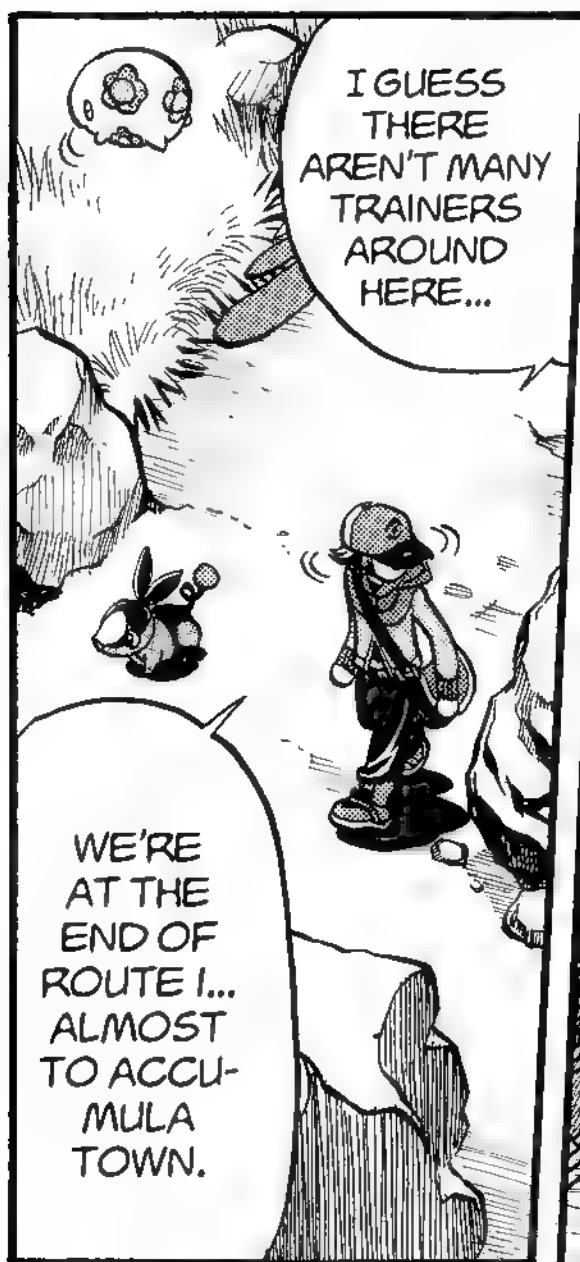


ISN'T THERE
A TRAINER
ANYWHERE
OUT THERE
WHO WANTS
TO ACCEPT
MY CHAL-
LENGE...?!

HEL-
LO-
O-O-
O!!

COME
OUT,
COME
OUT,
POKÉMON
TRAINERS-
WHEREVER
YOU
ARE!!

I'M READY
TO BATTLE
ANYONE
WITH **ANY**
POKÉMON!!



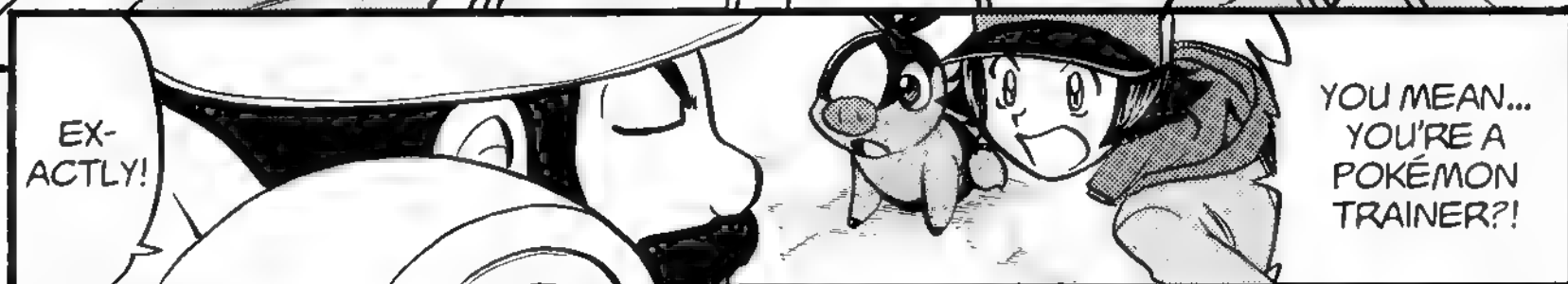
I GUESS
THERE
AREN'T MANY
TRAINERS
AROUND
HERE...

WE'RE
AT THE
END OF
ROUTE 1...
ALMOST
TO ACCU-
MULA
TOWN.



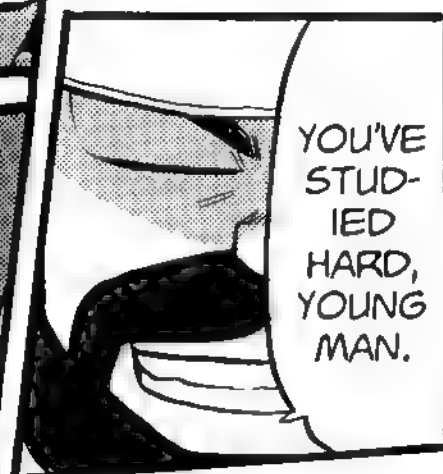
Route 1









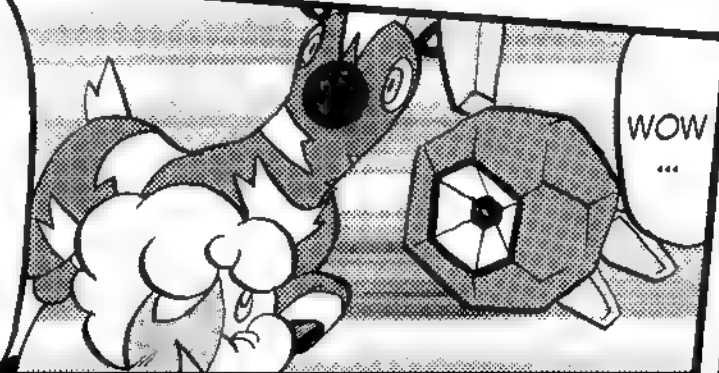


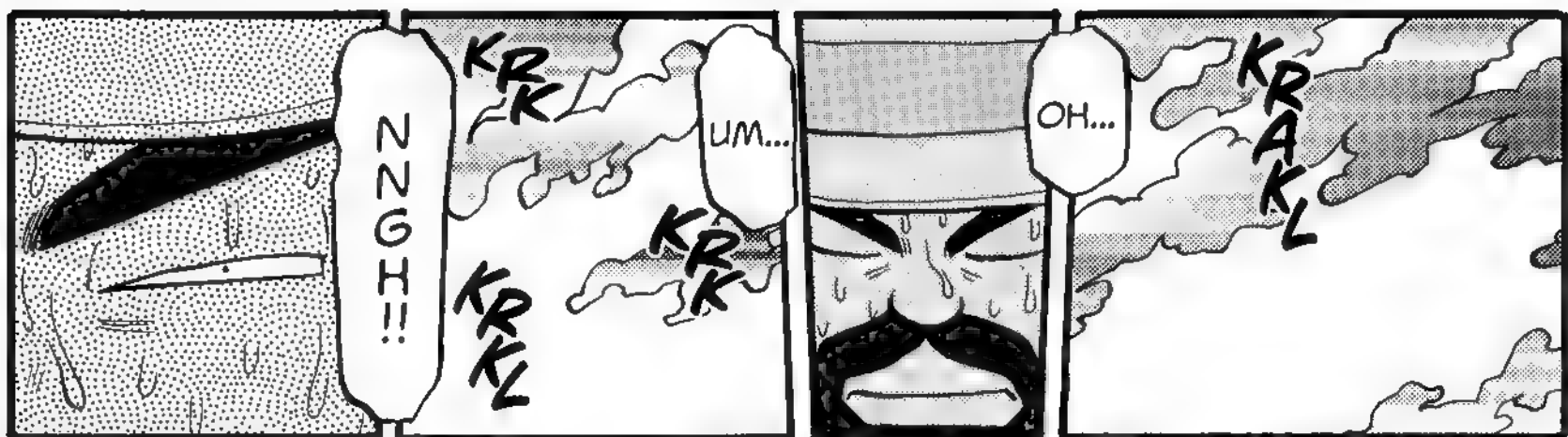
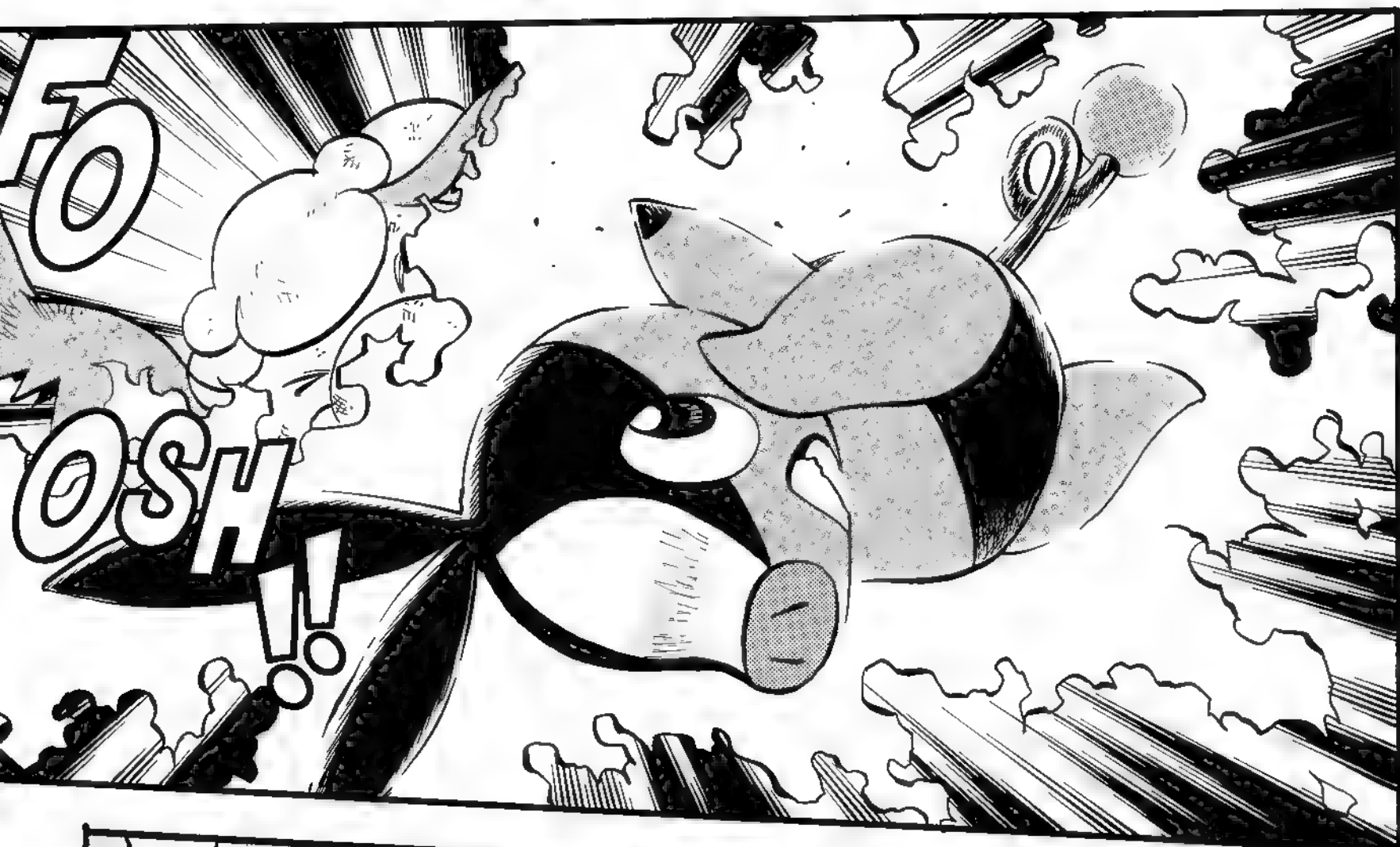
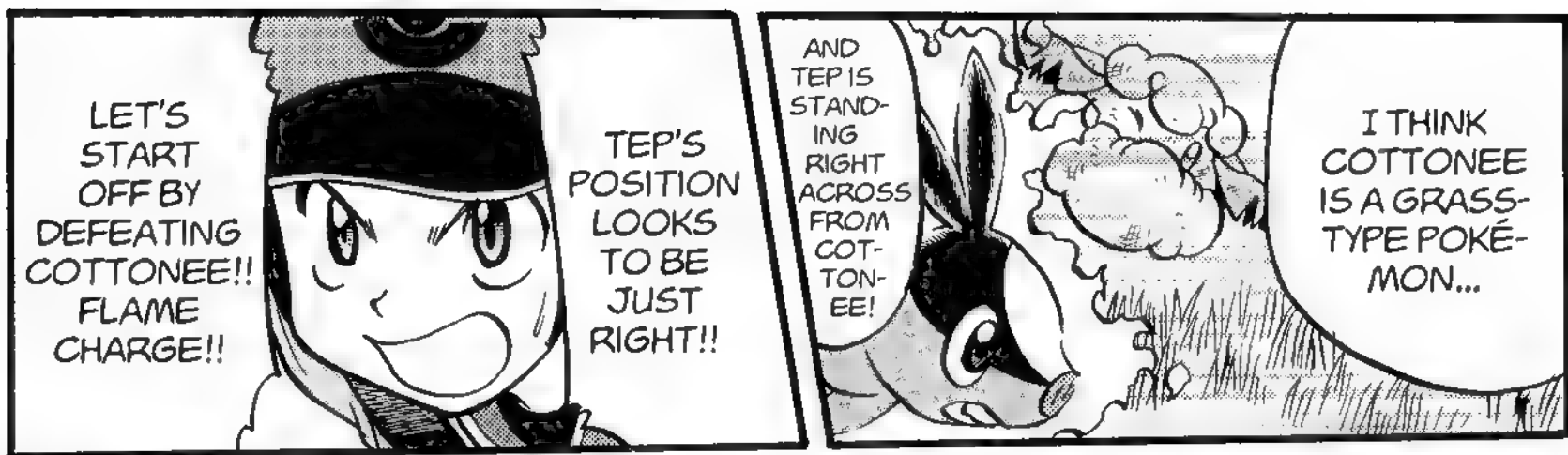
YOU'VE
STUD-
IED
HARD,
YOUNG
MAN.





A BATTLE FEELS
SO DIFFERENT
WHEN IT'S AGAINST
ANOTHER REAL-
LIVE TRAINER!
THE POKÉMON
ATTACKS ARE VERY
PRECISE!!





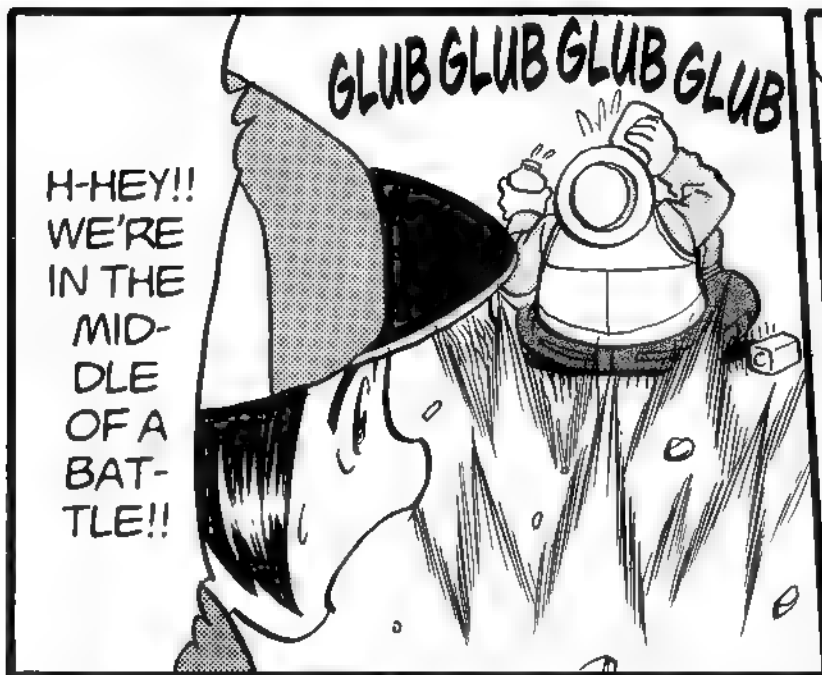


HUH?!
WHAT
?!

IT'S LIKE
A SAUNA
OUT
HERE!!
I CAN'T
STAND IT!!

AIEEE!!
I CAN'T
TAKE IT
ANYMORE!!
IT'S TOO
HOT!!

DA
SH



H-HEY!!
WE'RE
IN THE
MID-
DLE
OF A
BAT-
TLE!!

GLUB GLUB GLUB GLUB



OOPS.

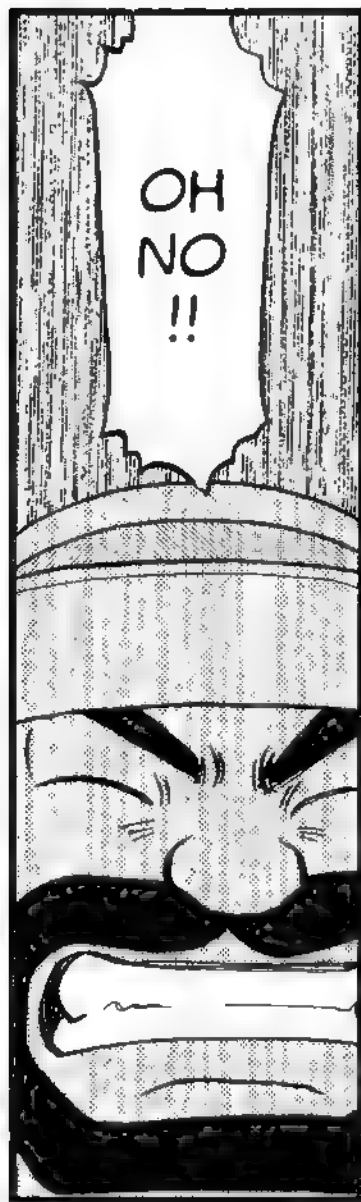


THAT
WAS
RE-
FRESH-
ING!!

PHEW
!!



FWAP



OH NO !!



gasp

gasp



SLUMP

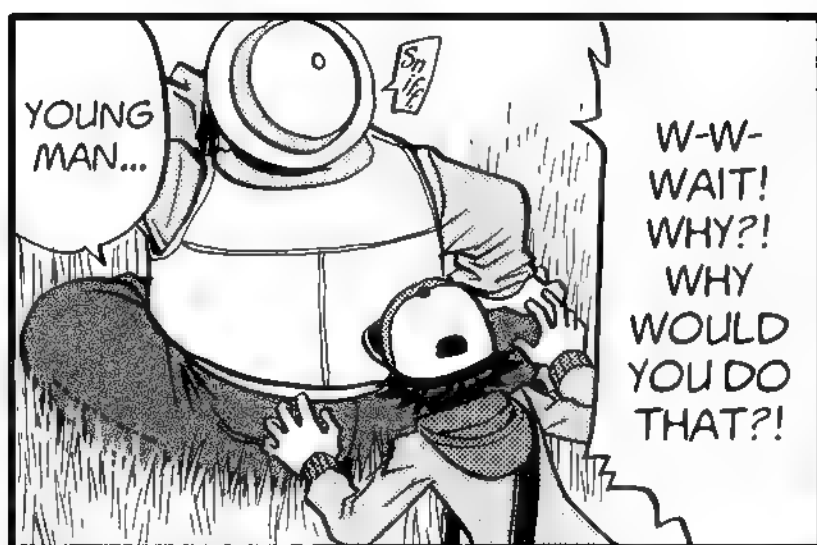
WAHH!
I...

OH.



...AGAIN
!!!

I
LOST
!!



YOUNG MAN...

W-W-WAIT!
WHY?!
WHY
WOULD
YOU DO
THAT?!



WHAT
?!

IT'S
NO USE.
I MIGHT
AS WELL
RETIRE.



TWENTY
YEARS...

IT'S BEEN TWENTY
YEARS SINCE I
FIRST DREAMED
OF ENTERING THE
POKÉMON LEAGUE...
AND I HAVE YET
TO SUCCEED!

THE TRUTH IS...
I PRETEND I'M
CONFIDENT
WHEN I BEGIN
A BATTLE, BUT...
I'M A ROTTEN
TRAINER.



BUT...
I ALWAYS
GAVE UP
PARTWAY
THERE.

I STARTED
COLLECTING
BADGES WHEN
I WAS ABOUT
YOUR AGE...
I DREAMED
THAT ONE DAY
I WOULD
COMPETE
IN THE
POKÉMON
LEAGUE!



DID YOU
KNOW YOU
NEED EIGHT
GYM BADGES
TO ENTER THE
POKÉMON
LEAGUE?!

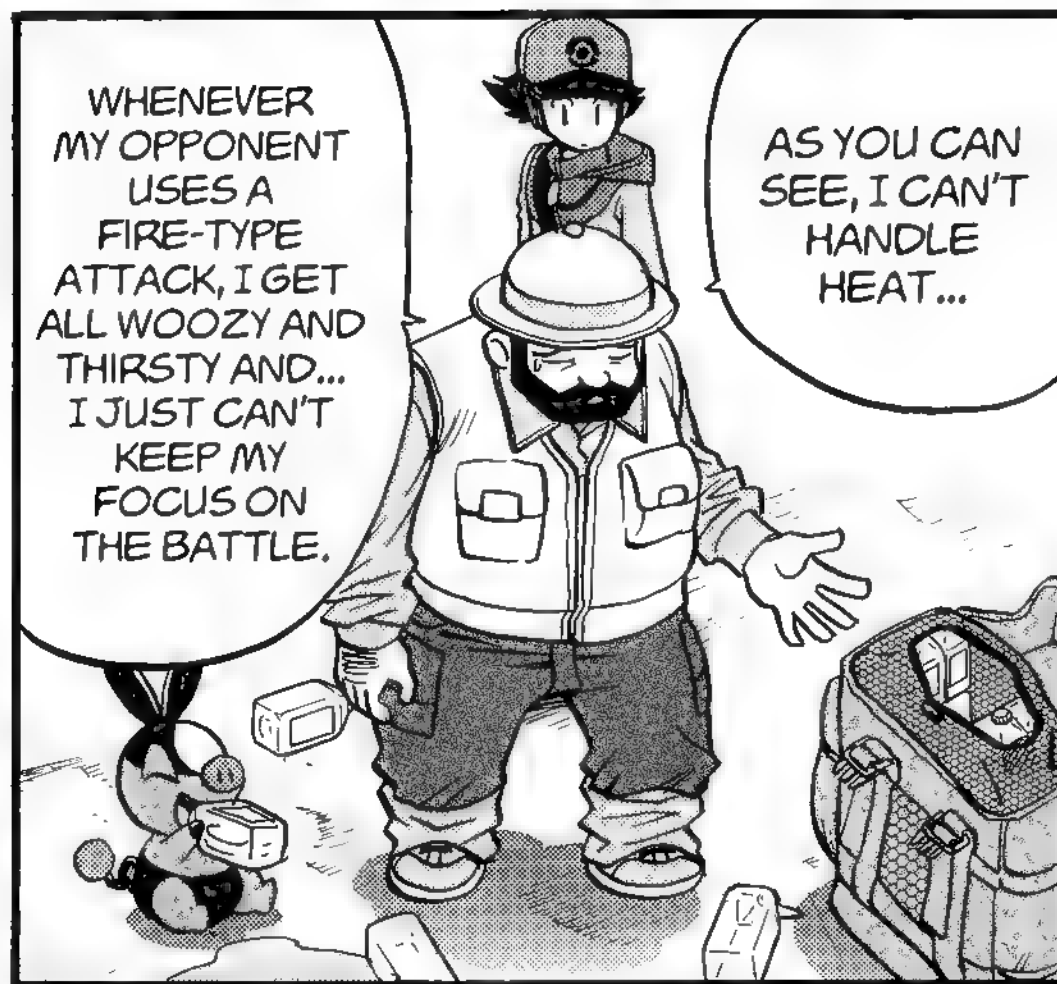
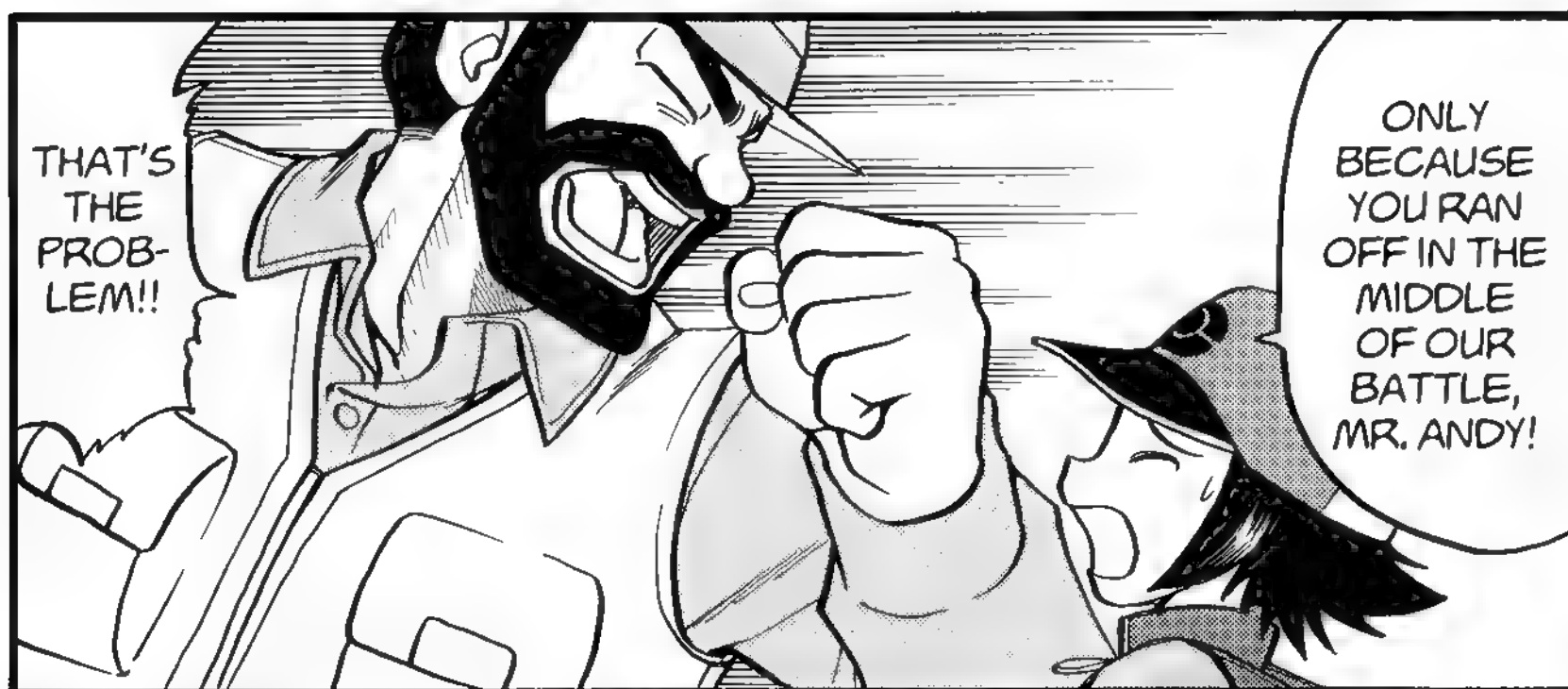
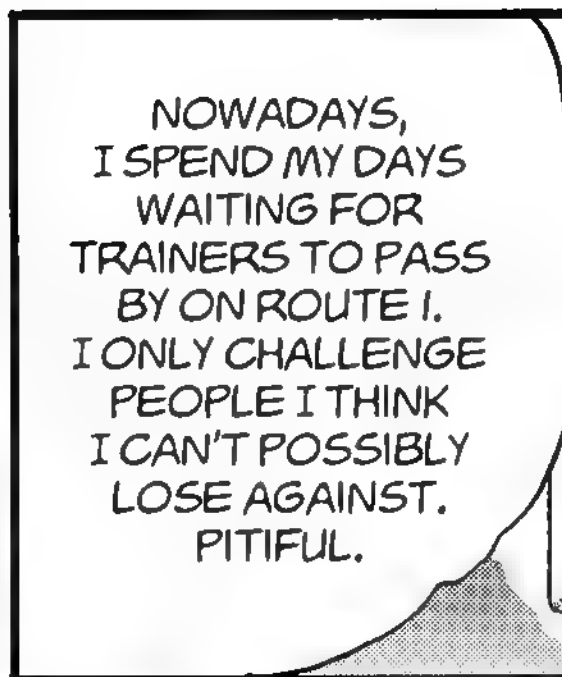
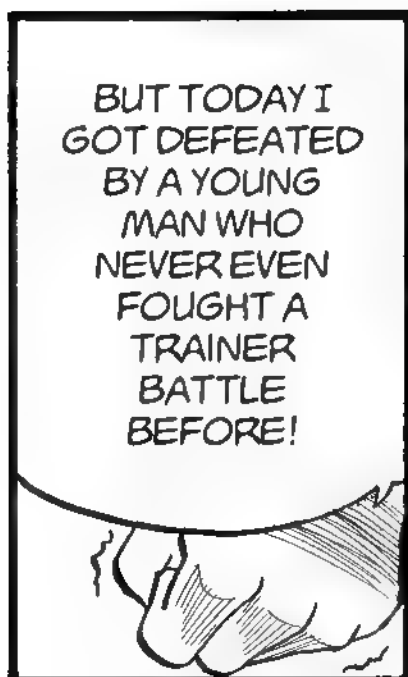
OF
COURSE
!



AND I'D
END UP AS
A SPECTA-
TOR IN THE
STANDS
WATCHING
THE OTHER
TRAINERS
WHO GOT IN.
PATHETIC.

THE
POKÉMON
LEAGUE WOULD
START...

I WOULDN'T
HAVE FINISHED
COLLECTING
THE BADGES...





I
DON'T
THINK
THEY
DO...



WHAT
ABOUT
THEIR
DREAMS?
MAYBE THEY
STILL DREAM
OF QUALIFY-
ING FOR THE
POKÉMON
LEAGUE!
HAVE YOU
THOUGHT
OF THAT?

WHAT'LL
HAPPEN
TO YOUR
POKÉMON
IF YOU GIVE
UP ON YOUR
DREAM?!



IT'S SICK
AND TIRED
OF ITS
DISAPPOINTING
TRAINER.

MY
COTTONEE...

...WON'T EVEN
COME NEAR
ME THESE
DAYS.



THAT'S
WEIRD...
THE
BATTLE'S
OVER...

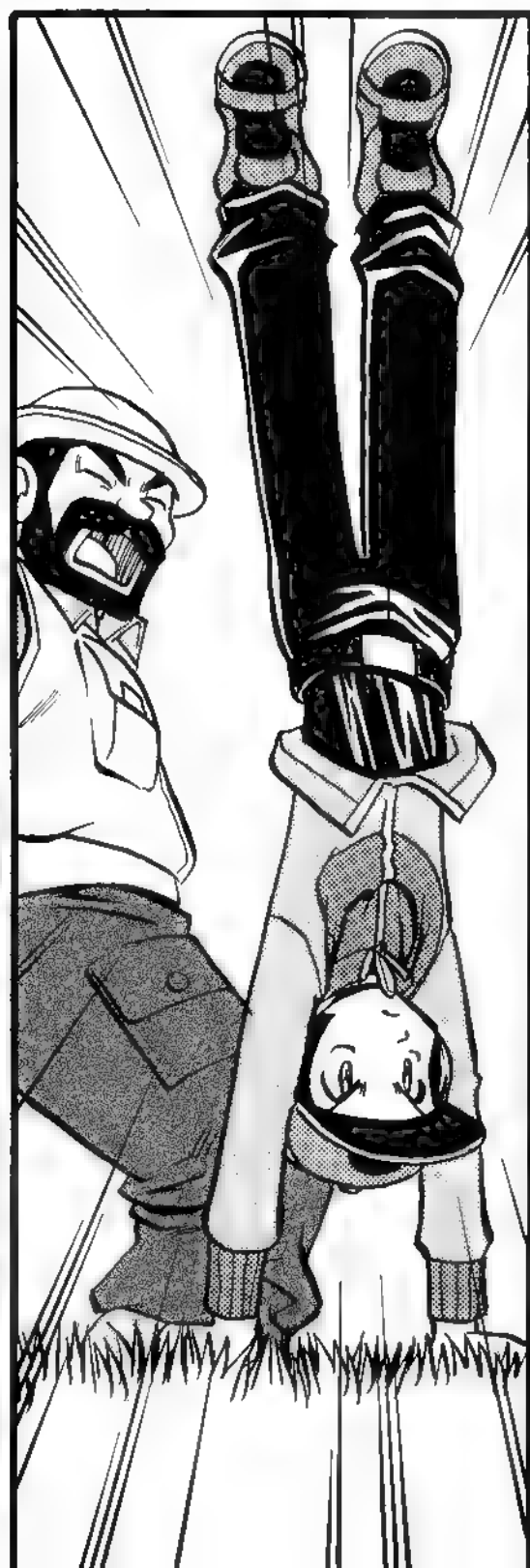
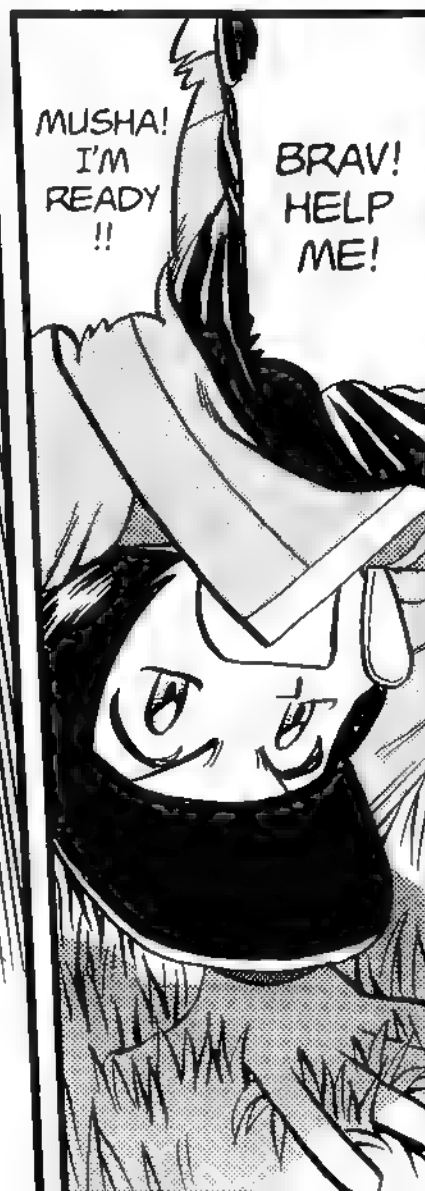
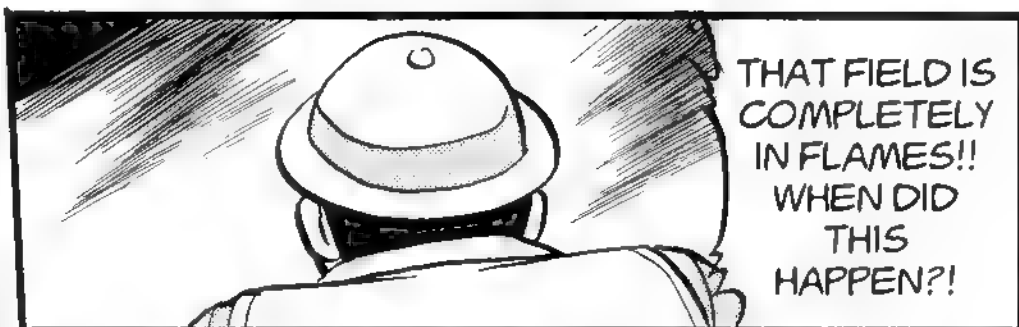
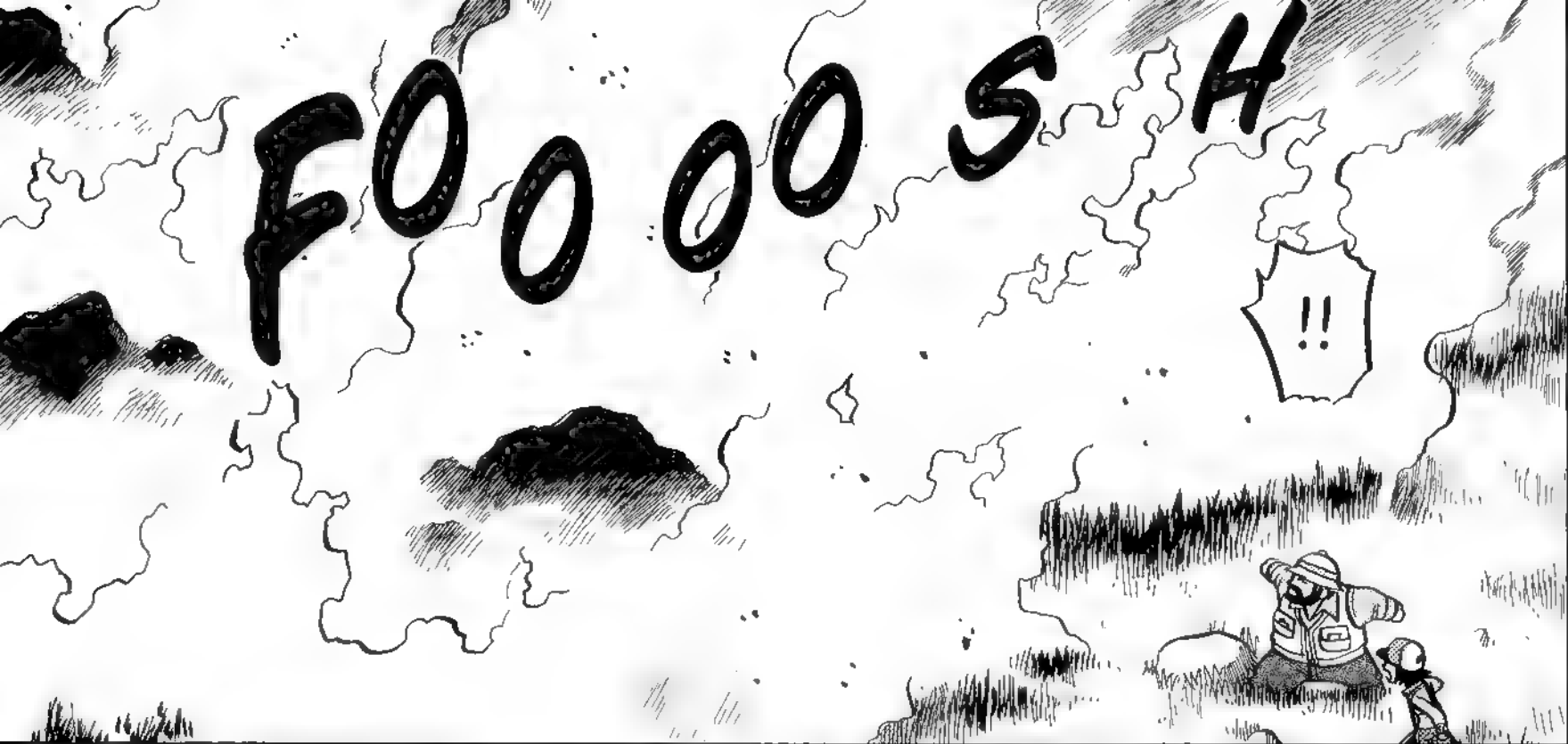
OH!
YOUNG
MAN,
YOU'RE
SWEATING
LIKE
MAD!

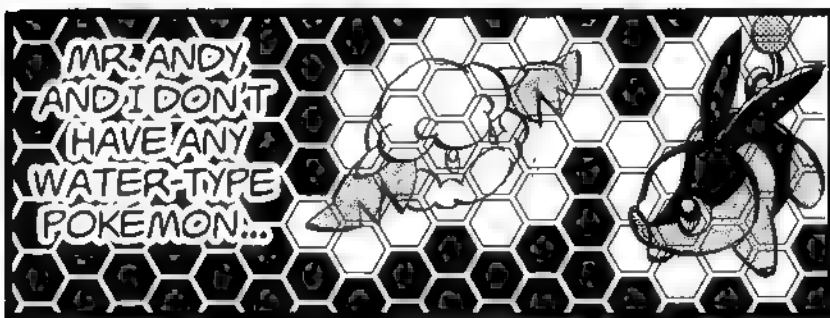


IT'S
STILL
PRETTY
HOT,
ACTU-
ALLY...

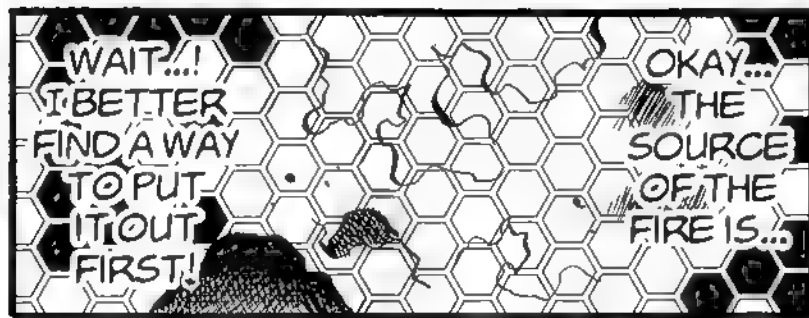
drip
drip





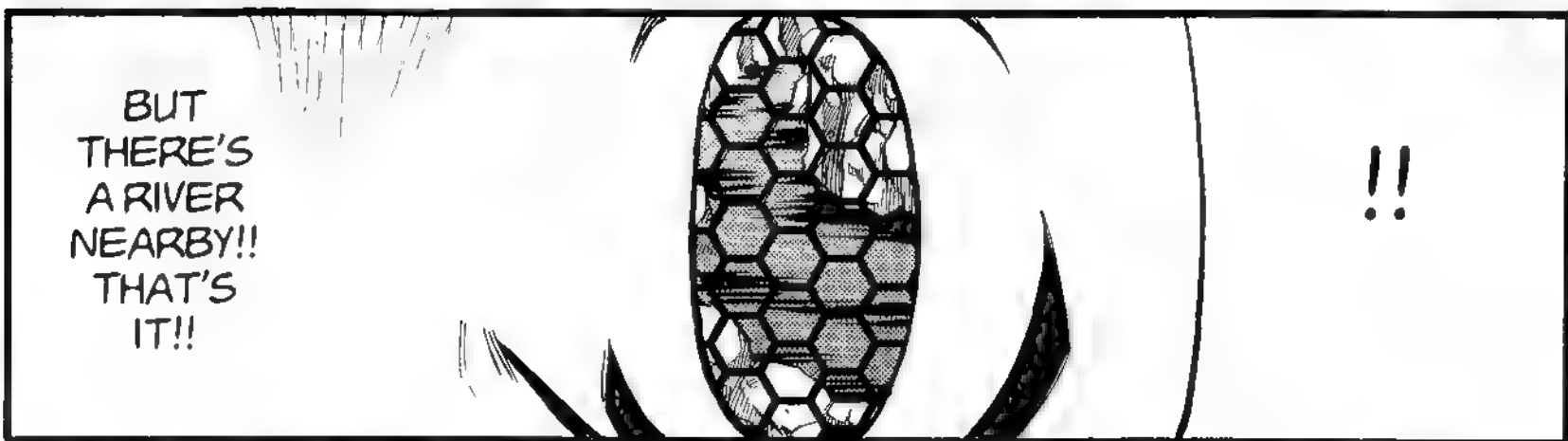


MR. ANDY
AND I DON'T
HAVE ANY
WATER-TYPE
POKEMON...



WAIT...!
I BETTER
FIND A WAY
TO PUT
IT OUT
FIRST!

OKAY...
THE
SOURCE
OF THE
FIRE IS...



BUT
THERE'S
A RIVER
NEARBY!!
THAT'S
IT!!

!!



AFTER
ALL,
YOU'RE
STRONG
ENOUGH
TO...



GRAB

HOLD
TIGHT
!!

tup



YES!

YOU
CAN
DO
IT!!

BRAV!!
CAN YOU
CARRY
THAT BIG
ROCK?!



...PICK
UP A
CAR
AND
...



...FLY
WITH
IT!!



LISTEN,
I NEED
YOUR HELP!
YOU HAVE
TO PULL
YOURSELF
TOGETHER!!



IT'S NO
USE, YOUNG
MAN...!
IT'S TOO
HOT.
I CAN'T THINK
STRAIGHT!

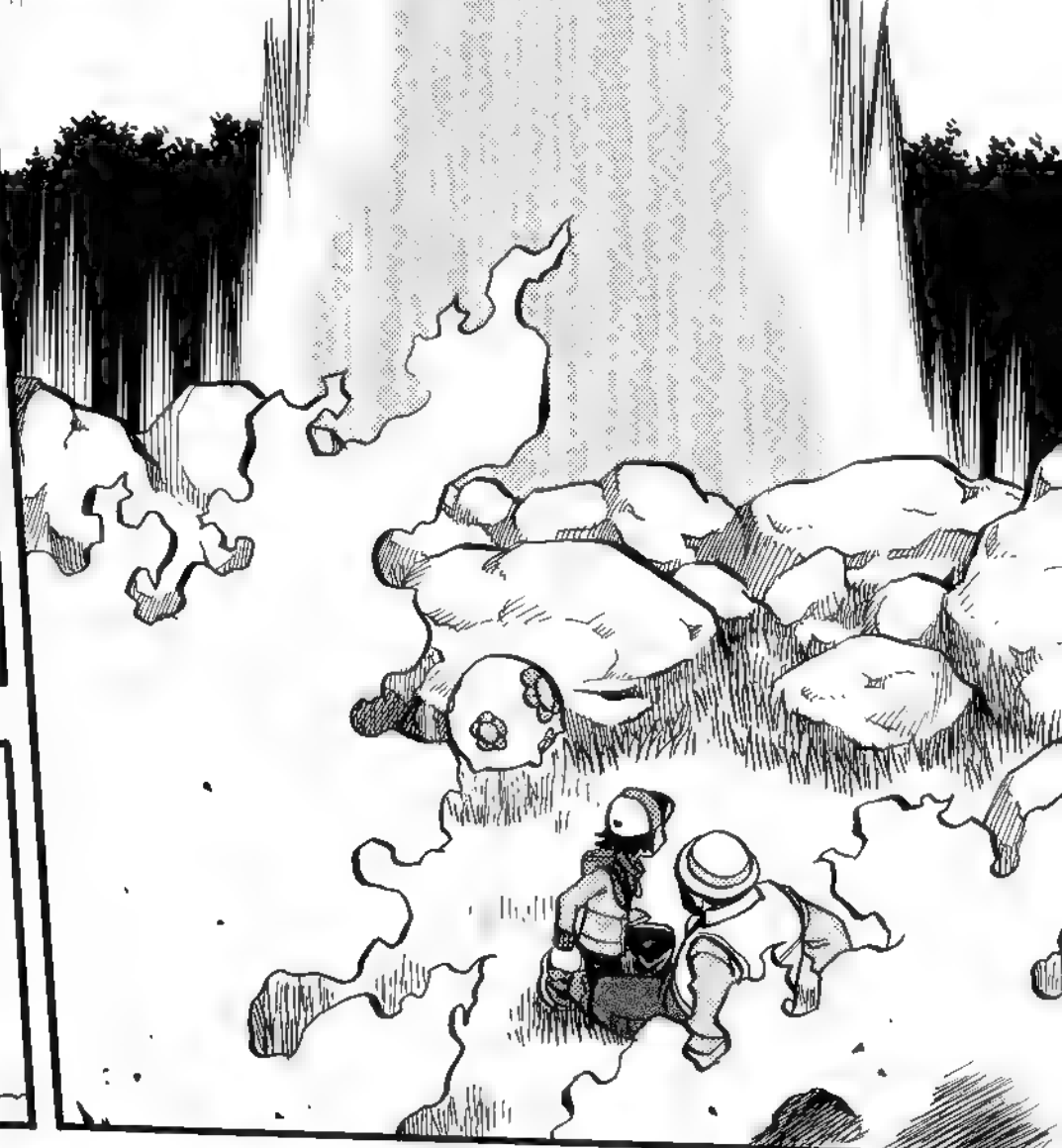
MR.
ANDY
!!

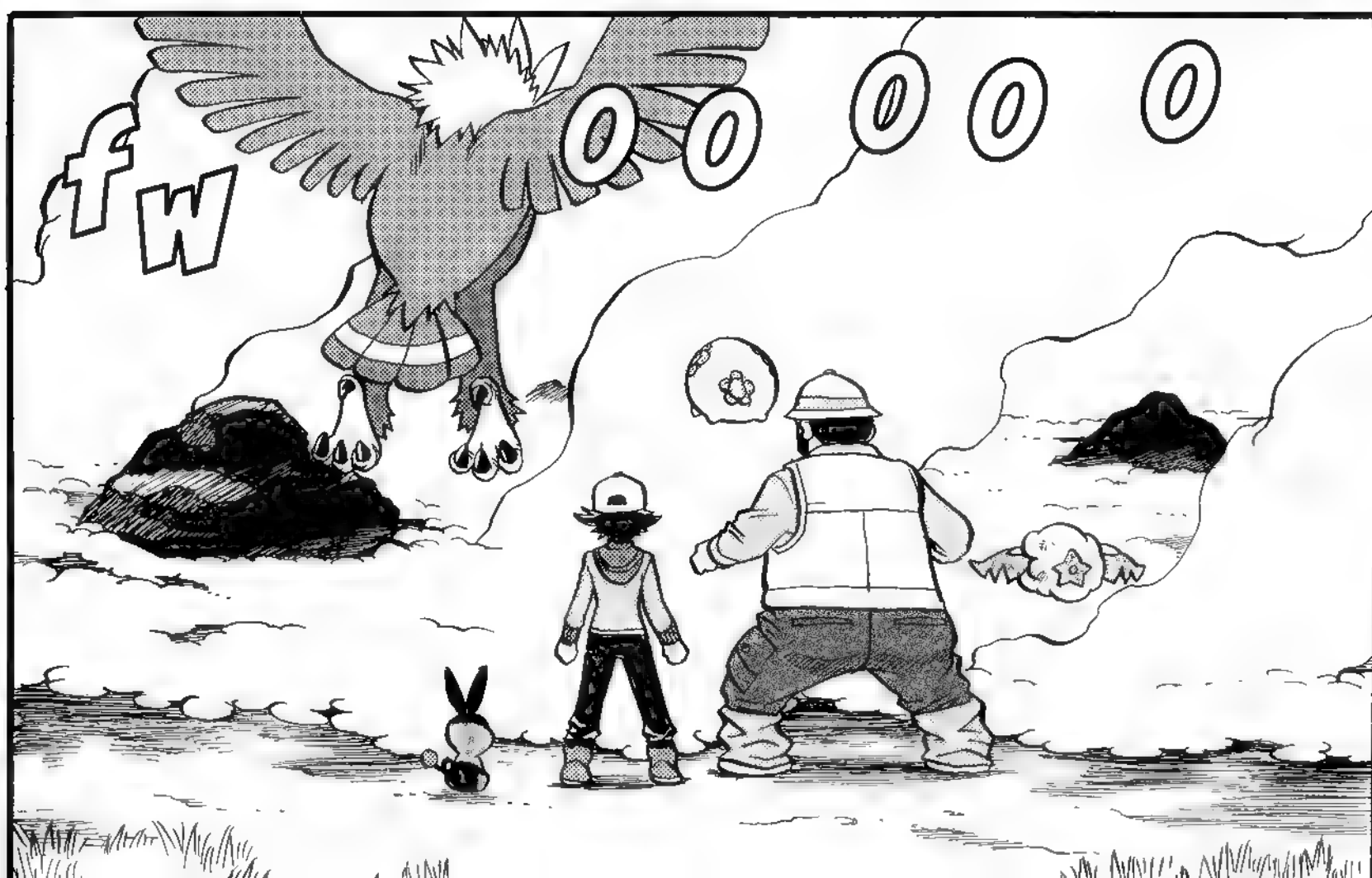


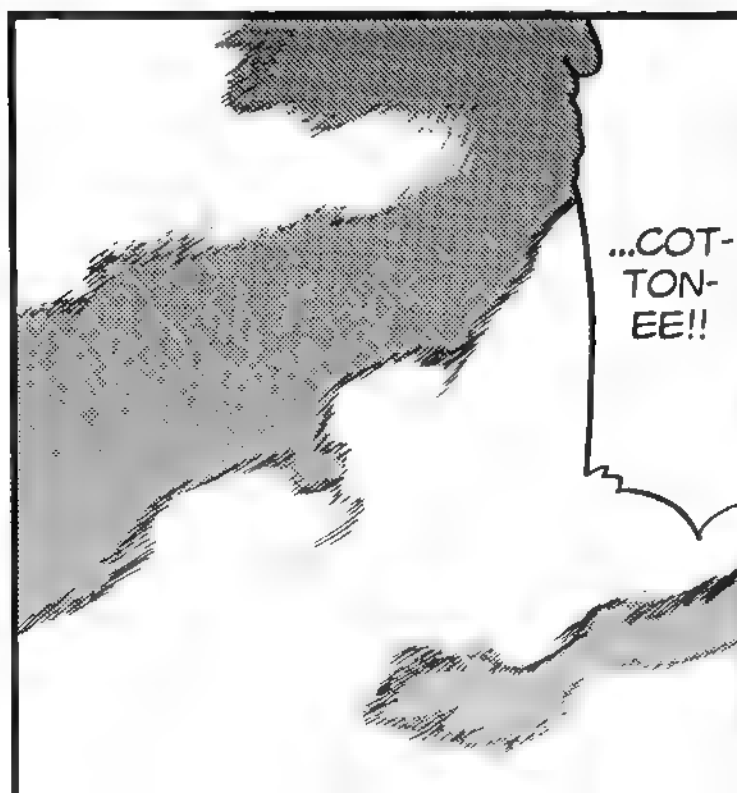
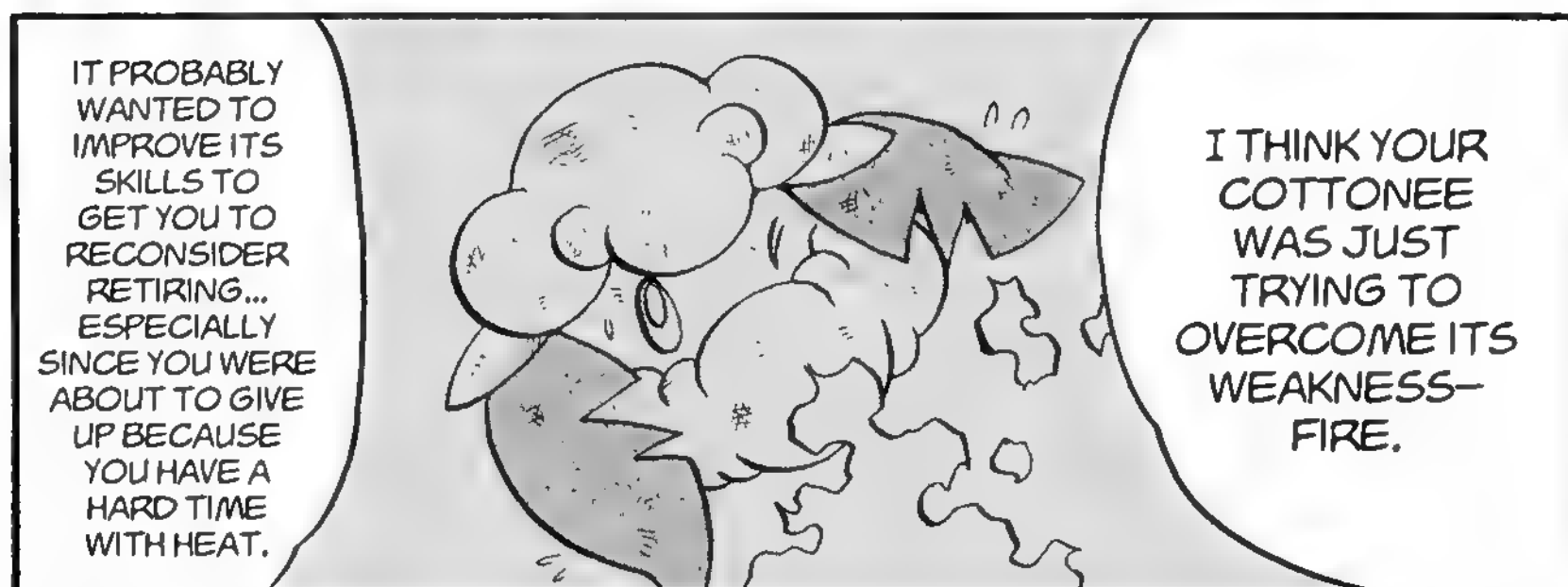
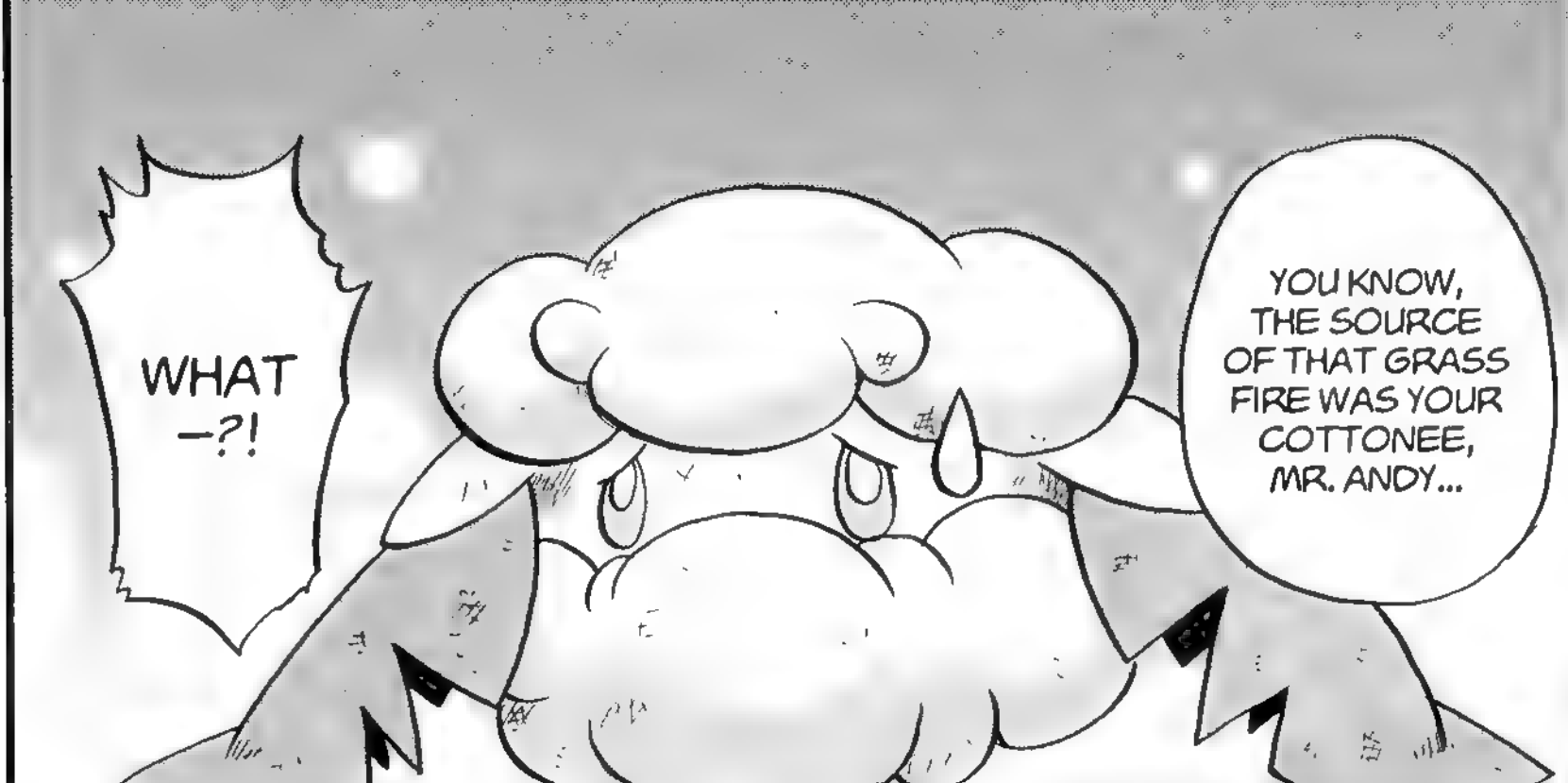
DROP THE
ROCK FROM
AS HIGH UP
AS YOU CAN!!
STRAIGHT
INTO THE
RIVER!

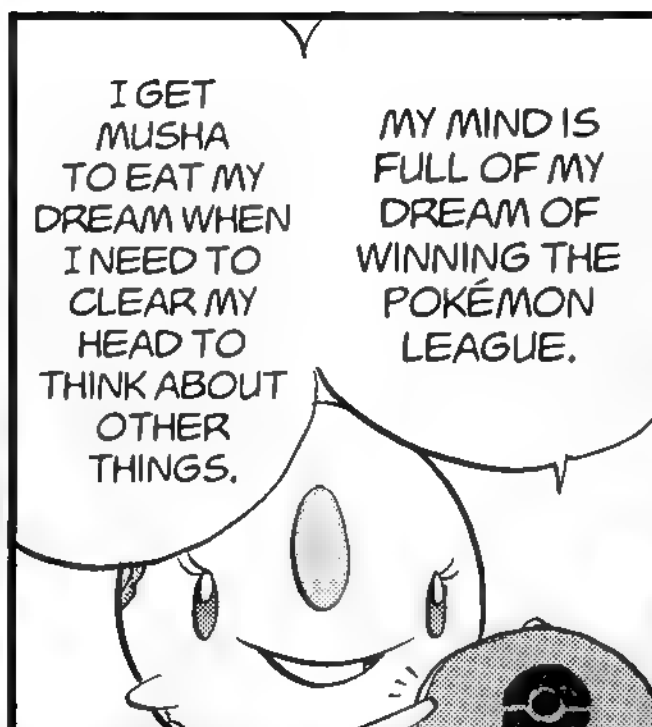


SPLAAASH











I'M GOING
TO THE
POKÉMON
LEAGUE!
AND I'M
GONNA
WIN
TOO!!

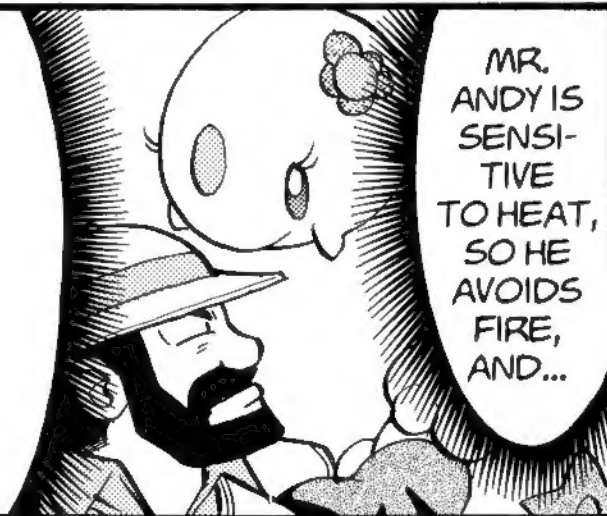
I'M GOING
TO THE
POKÉMON
LEAGUE!
AND I'M
GONNA
WIN!!

I'M
RE-
ALLY,
RE-
ALLY,
RE-
ALLY,
RE-
ALLY
GON-
NA
WIN!!

Ha ha ha ha!!



...HIS JUDGMENT
AS A TRAINER IS
CLOUDED WHEN
HIS OPPONENT
ATTACKS WITH A
FIRE-TYPE MOVE.
EVEN A LITTLE
THING LIKE THAT
CAN AFFECT THE
COURSE OF
A BATTLE...



MR.
ANDY IS
SENSI-
TIVE
TO HEAT,
SO HE
AVOIDS
FIRE,
AND...



THIS WAS
MY FIRST
TRAINER
BATTLE,
BUT IT
WAS SO
MUCH
FUN!

